There will be no more taxpayers' money to help the British Steel Corporation to increase its pay offer in an attempt to end the steel strike, Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, said in the Commons yesterday. The Government will not intervene in the dispute.

# Sir Keith Joseph says **BSC** must compete

Parliamentary Correspondent

Westminster Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, made it in-

escapably clear in the Commons yesterday that the Government has not the slightest intention of intervening in the steel strike in the interests of a quick solution.

Its spite of the recognition by Sir Keith of the "intensely serious effect for the steel industry, for those who work in it and for the country" of a prolonged strike, he told the House over and over again that the only reason for government intervention would be to hand over more of the taxpayers' money to the British Steel Corporation.

But he made it clear that the government policy on cash limits remained rigidly uncompromising. The taxpayer was already providing huge sums for the industry and not a penny more would be made available. A full Commons debate will take place on Thursday but there was not even the shadow of a hint yesterday of any change in government policy. Sir Keith, with the Prime Minister sitting beside him, gave warning that the strike would only reduce the demand for steel still further. More jobs would be at risk and the ability pay better wages would

As Labour MPs pleaded for the Government to say something, if only goodbye, Sir Keith pointed out that workers in other industries who were often lower paid than steelworkers were having to provide from the taxes they pay more than \$1,800 of the average earnings of cach worker in the steel corporation. The wage offer by the BSC, amounting to a minithe BSC, amounting to a mini. Sirs, general secretary of the mum 12 per cent increase, Iron and Steel Trades Confedwould raise the average earn eration, said on the BBC's to at least £124 a week.

snokesman on industry, was marks about taxpayers paying quick to point out that there money to steelworkers. was not a single word in the ought to be coming in to settle the dispute. The Government's have; there coal, rail transport policy, he added, was one of and power were subsidized.

rigid ultimatum. Was there no point at which me? The dispute could bring the whole of British industry to s'andstill. Was the Government prepared to wait until the

economy and the local communities affected were brought to their knees?

But Sir Keith made it only too clear to the House that in the interests of bringing home to the steel industry, both management and workers, that they could no longer survive only by riding on the backs of the British taxpayer, there was no action that he would take.

It was not in the interests It was not in the interests of the steel industry, its workers or the country to defer

competitive.
From the Tory backbenches there was vociferous support for Sir Keith's tough stand although there was a hint from some quarters that there was not total satisfaction with the way the strike was being handled by the BSC manage-

yet again the pressure to raise productivity and to become

ment.
Mr Patrick Cormack,
Conservative MP for Southwest Staffordshire, suggested
instance that Sir for instance that Sir Charles Villiers, chairman of BSC, was handling the matter with the finesse of an elephant and urged him to emulate Sir Michael Edwardes, at British Leyland, by asking his em-ployees what they thought of

the wage offer.
Mr Eric Varley, Opposition spokesman on employment, intervened to point out that the target set for BSC by the Government could not be met and that eventually Sir Keith would have to intervene to change that target.

Sir Keith told the House that

under successive governments the taxpayer had found £4,000m for the steel industry. That was more than £200 a British family. and that, surely, was enough. Trading 'prefit': Mr William ings of a steelworker from £110 Panorama television programme to at least £124 a week.

Mr John Silkin, Opposition concerned at Sir Keith's re-

corporation had been statement to show that the making a trading profit, but had Government was aware that it interest and other payments competitors in Europe did not Mr Sirs insisted that his men were the lowest-manned production steelworkers in the Western world, and the lowest

# Union ballot on pay as BL talks founder

From Clifford Webb Midlands Industrial Correspondent

British Leyland unions are to follow the successful pattern adopted by Sir Michael Edwardes, group chairman, and ballot the 90,000 manual workers in its car plants. If the voting supports the union's rejection of a 5 to 10 per cent pay offer plus new working practices, they will impose sanc-tions including strike action.

The decision last night fol-lows the complete breakdown of negotiations which began more than three months ago; but because of the threatened delay to work on its £275m Mini Metro and other new models BL may preempt the ballot and impose its proposals.

Mr Geoffrey Armstrong, BL Cars director of employee relations, said at the company's training centre near Warwick: "We cannot back away from our responsibilities to take and implement decisions in the

Mr Grenville Hawley, national automotive secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union and the leader of the union side on BL Cars' joint negotiating committee JNC, negotiating committee JNC, said: "There has been no said: There has been no improvement by the company at today's meeting of the JNC which will allow us to continue negotiations. We want to see a prosperous BL. We have tried desperately to obtain an agreement."

nor use an independent body such as the Electoral Reform Society to conduct the ballot, but would undertake it them selves. He was confident that they had the facilities to do this without undue delay.

The unions are demanding that the company's 5 to 10 per cent pay offer according to grades should be replaced by a flar rate offer nearer to their 26 per cent claim—about £24 a week. They also refused to drop "mutuality"—shop stew-ards' involvement in setting work standards and manning levels—which is the cornerstone of trade union power in

Mr Armstrong said it was vital that the negotiations should be concluded without further delay. The Government had provided the necessary fin-ancial support for BL's recovery plans; delays in achieving improved productivity and implementing new working prac-tices was putting this at risk. It was vital to bring the realistic new model programme stream and on time.



# Other steel news, page 2 Parliamentary report, page 5

per cent from April 1 with a further increase, probably of per cent, in October.

tariffs were given by the North-Eastern Electricity Board to its consultative council, a statutory body of consumer interests, yesterday. The consul-tative council recognized the need for the rises, which will be notified to consumers next

pay-18.5 per cent more and in-dustrial users face similar in-Domestic electricity prices dustrial users face similar increases from a tariff rise of are to go up by around 17.5 per cent plus a separate fuel

The consultative council was

two stages, 17 per cent in April and 10 per cent in October. The second rise will begin to narrow the differential between gas and

Consumers throughout the country can expect to pay increases of the same size, although there may be minor variations in different regions.

Commercial customers will consumers through the country can be considered to pay off loans and make a net contribution to the Exchequer.

Lord Underhill's evidence of Trotskyist infiltration is revealed in two strategic documents

# 2,000 militants planned to wreck Labour Party machine

By Michael Hatfield Political Reporter

Inside information on the Trotskyist "Militant" group, Trotskyist "Militant" group, which aims at penetrating the Labour Party, and two of the documents upon which Lord Underhill, former national agent, presented his evidence to the party, can be disclosed by
The Times today.
It is alleged by a former
member of the group that at

the last general election two Labour candidates were members of the Militant tendency, received several other docu-one of them being a member meats circulated by the tend-of its central committee. The ency among its supporters,

total membership of the group some of which detail its is put at 2,000 and it is said that activities in 1978.

It has close links in Europe and Entrism, Trotskyist theoretical activities are the control of the group some of which detail its is put at 2,000 and it is said that activities in 1978. the United States.

The two documents in the hands of The Times, Entrism. published in 1973, and British Perspectives and Tasks, 1976, were among 10 such publica-tions which Lord Underhill sub-

tions which Lord Underhill sub-mitted to the Labour Party national executive in 1977, but which the NEC has decided not to make public.

In addition, The Times has received several other docu-ments circulated by the tend-ency amone its supporters.

cal jargon for penetration with view to control, sets out its critique of the Labour leadership and what must be done to swing it towards a revolutionary

Our epoch has no room for centrist formations of a lasting character", it states. "That is why the perspective for the next period opens up the prospect for entrist work to be really fruitful."

It continues: "On the other hand, if the failure of the

socialist alternative, even in re-formist terms, to the policy and programme of Toryism; their feeble opposition in Parlia-

ment; their failure to mobilize the workers for a real drive to sult in the unprecedented vic-tory of the Government in three general elections, it will not alter perspectives in fundamentals. The struggle of the wor-kers will then be in extra parliamentary terms on the in-dustrial field.".

The document presents a

West may propose that

ment with the working class being "thoroughly roused and critical".

This could lead to the "bridling of the masses" under a new Labour government, or a Conservative government con-tinuing to "slug it out" with the working class, which in turn would lead to the rank and file becoming "critical of the lack of fight of the leader-ship". The outcome would be ferment in the ranks " leading to the development of the left

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Afghan Islamic insurgents set off on a raid against the Soviet-held town of Herat.

# Saudis urge cut in links with Russia

Riyadh, Jan 14

Saudi Arabia is urging all Islamic countries to take a tough line against the Soviet Union by cutting diplomatic nes and imposing economic sanctions.

Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, who had an audience with King Khalid today, was left in no doubt of Saudi Arabian concern over the invasion of Afghanistan Their anxiety is reinforced by fears for the stability of Iran.
As the Foreign Secretary's

Arabia believes that there can be no justification for the Soviet action and looks to the proposed Islamic conference in Islamabad to give concrete expression to their protests. Minister, tonight condemned the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan

as extremely dangerous and said Saudi Arabia looked to the West for arms but did not want foreign troops in the region.

Speaking at the end of Lord Carrington's visit, Prince Saud said that what Saudi Arabia hoped was that the Soviet Union would withdraw its troops from

A member of the Saudi Arabian Advisory Council, expressing regret that Islamic countries had so far made only verbal protests, was reported today as

earlier conversation with calling on Muslim countries to Prince Fahd, the Deputy Prime cut diplomatic ties with the Minister, made clear, Saudi Soviet Union Their diplomats should also launch a concerted political boycott by refusing to attend functions at Soviet embassies and missions. Mr Ahmad Jamal of King Abdul Aziz University in Jid-

Islamic conference in Kuala Lumpur, added that they should give material aid to the Afghans who were fighting against the Soviet occupation of their country. Leader strangled: The Soviet

news agency Tass said today that Afghanistan's revolutionary leader and former Presi-dent, Moor Mohammed Tarakki, was strangled on October 8 by order of his successor, Hafizul-lab Amin. An investigation had established the guilt of three men, who would stand trial.

position.

A military analyst said the troops were not fulfilling any defensive purpose because there was no military threat posed

# 1980 Olympics be moved from Moscow

By George Clark Political Correspondent

Under pressure from MPs on Under pressure from MPs on both sides of the Commons, Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the Foreign and Common-wealth Office, yesterday indicated that Western govern-ments may take concerted action to propose the transfer of the 1980 Moscow Olympic Games to some other venue.

He was asked about the Covernment's intentions after he had made a statement about the measures that are unifer

the measures that are under consideration as reprisals against the Soviet Union for its invasion of Afghanistan.

Mr James Wellbeloved, Labour MP for Bexley, Erith and Crayford, and a former Under Secretary for Defence, said that the holding of the Olympic Games in Moscow would be seen by the Russian people and Government as condoning their aggression against Afghanistan.

"When the Minister meets

When the Minister meets his allies and other interested countries to discuss the matter will he put the proposal to them, on behalf of the British Government, that we, the British, will play our part in underwriting any additional cost to the International Olympic Games Committee in moving the games from Moscow to an alternative site?"

Amid cheers from all sides, Mr Burd replied: "Mr Well-beloved has raised an important possibility. We believe that that possibility should be con-

He noted that the committee had taken a decision against such a move, but Mr Clarke, the Prime Minister of Canada, had said that the transfer of the

games to another venue was an sidered.

Canada would be represented at the projected meeting today of the North Atlantic Council. Reprisals will also be discussed at a meeting of Ministers of the European Community in Brussels, to be attended by Sir Ian Gilmour, Lord Privy Seal.

Mr Hurd emphasized the

need for concerted action both on economic and cultural sanctions, and in any move over

the Olympic Games.

Mr Patrick Cormack, Conservative MP for Staffordshire,
South West, who first raised the games issue, told Mr Hurd that it was now "unthinkable" that the Olympic Games should held in Moscow. But the Minister, at this point, seemed to take a non-interventionist line.

"It is not a matter for governments; it is a matter for

the sporting authorities and for the athletes themselves", he replied.

That did not satisfy Mrs Jill Knight. Conservative MP for Birmingham, Edgbaston. "I hope Mr Hurd will reconsider his remark that it is really a matter for the athletes and the Olympic committee", she said.
"The matter is of the gravest concern to all of us who remember what happened after the Olympic Games in 1936 and the tremendous fillip that gave

to Nazi Germany".

The International Olympic Committee has no intention of moving the Olympic Games from Moscow, Mrs Monique Berlioux, its director, said in Lausanne yesterday (Reuter

# Soviet units 'massing along Iran border'

division of at least 10,000 troops has taken up position along Afghanistan's border with Iran, within striking distance of the Iranian oilfields, Western diplomatic sources said today. They said the 66th Motorized Rifle Division, one of an estimated seven Soviet divisions

comprising some 85,000 troops in Afghanistan, had taken the

Kabul, Jan 14.-A Soviet from Iran. Asked whether he believed the division was poised for possible offensive action against Iran, he said: "That is my conclusion".

There was no independent

way to confirm the diplomatic report of a Soviet troop build-up. Communications with Herat, near the Iranian border, are completely cut. Western correspondents in

Kabul have been allowed to travel to other provincial cities such as Jalalabad and Kandahar, but none have reached Herat.—UPL

# President Tito may lose a leg

From Dessa Trevisão Selgrade, Jan 14

Surgery to remove the vascular blockage on the left leg of President Tito of Yugoslavia, which was performed with obwhich was performed with ob-vious urgency late on Saturday night, has not been successful, a bulletin signed by eight doc-tors disclosed early today. The bulletin added that his

condition was good, and that the post-operative recovery was proceeding normally. The medical bulletin gives no ndication about any further treatment that may be undertaken to remove the obvious threat. The general belief here among medical experts is that the President might have had part of his vein replaced by an

artificial one, and as this has failed to produce the wished-for result, an amoutation might prove necessary. After yesterday's optimism. concern over President Tito's health mounted again, indicating that Yugoslavia is going through a period of auguish. President Tito went to hospital on Saturday having earlier

received two top officials who, by a constitutional rule based on annual rotation, would take over in case of an accident. An operation was performed the same night though a week earlier it was broad that treat-ment would suffice.

## Airliner hijacked with 89 on board

Palermo, Jan 14.-Two hi jackers who took over an Alitalia DC9 aircraft with 89 people on board, during its flight from Rome to Tunis. today demanded the release of 25 political prisoners in Tunisia. The aircraft, with two children among the passengers, landed at Punta Raisi airport here and the hijackers, said to he French-meaking Arabs. be French-speaking Arabs, were considering releasing the women and children.—AP.

# Two-stage rise planned in electricity prices

Details of the intended new

surcharge,

told that a further rise of probably 5 per cent would-be needed in October.

British Gas has already said it intends to raise its prices in

## **BP** puts petrol up to 125p a gallon today

British Petroleum increased the price of a gallon of four-star petrol to 125p from midnight last night. The increase of almost 5p a gallon follows agreement yesterday between the company and the British National Oil Corporation to charge a new price of \$29.75 a barrel for crude oil from BP's Forties Field in the North Sea. Other United Kingdom petrol

Other United Kingdom petrol companies are likely to announce further increases within the next few days, but their By the end of this week, all North Sea producers should have agreed prices with BNOC, although "hawkish" producers have been arguing for nearer the \$35 a barrel which Libya

and Algeria charge for similar high quality crude.

# Exxon optimistic over the level of world oil stocks

From Anthony Parisi

New York, Jan 14 The world could probably withstand another balt in Iranian oil exports without suffering serious shortages of petroleum products, an analysis prepared by the Exxon Corporation analysis propared by the Exxon Corporation analysis

tion concludes.
The company's optimistic outlook for oil supplies in the immediate future appears to be the most sanguine made by any major company or institution since Iranian production first faltered more than a year ago. The study, not widely circulated outside the company, says worldwide inventories of oil are now the production of the p

now large enough to make up for a three-month stoppage of rrel which Libya Tranian exports. Last winter's halt in oil shipments from Iran, which led to shortages in petrol and other products during the

spring and summer, lasted only

Even if an Iranian cutoff con-tinued through the summer, the study adds, demand could still be met if the other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries kept pro-ducing at their current rate. The Exxon analysis also sug-

gests that oil consumption in the United States, which accounts for about 35 per cent of the non-Communist total, may have peaked in 1978 Previously, the company had expected domestic demand to reach its maximum in 1984 and then start slipping as other sources of power displaced oil. The forecasts prepared by Exxon, the world's largest oil

company, are among the most Continued on page 15, col 6

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rates spurred institutional buyers into both gilt edged and shares and the FT index rose 10.6 to 445.8 Business features: Hugh Stephenson discusses the latest proposed public spending cuts; Paul Rontledge looks at the state of public sector pay bargaining.

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# Gold soars to a further record price

Gold reached a new record price of \$656.5 an ounce in London as hectic trading returned to the bullion market. The metal put on \$33 during the day spurred by continuing international uncertainty over Afghanistan and Iran. Dealers say the price could climb still bisher later this week Page 15 nigher later this week

Public sector crisis

The Government's policy of limiting pay increases in the public sector will be severely tested in the next few days. be severely tested in the next few days in critical wage negotiations involving nearly two million workers. Local government manual workers are expected to reach agreement on a 14 percent package within the Cabinet's guidelines, but discussions on pay rises for civil servants, railwaymen and water workers are running inm diffiwater workers are running into diffi-Page 2

# Mrs Gandhi sworn in

Mrs Indira Gandhi was sworn in as Indian Prime Minster, at the head of a 22-member Cabinet which rewarded personal loyalty to her and included some younger ministers identifiable as friends of her son, Mr Sanjay Gandhi. Her son was not included in the Cabinet, nor were any of the nationally known figures closely connected with the emergency

Poulson memours Mr John Poulson, the former architect,

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said he intends to write his memoirs and use part of the proceeds to repay creditors. He said at Wakefield County Court, where he successfully applied for his discharge from bankruptcy, that he wanted an early discharge so that he could put his autobiography plans into action Page 4 into action

Wigan, of the fourth division, put. Chelsea, of the second, out of the FA Cup, with a 1-0 victory in the third round at Stamford Bridge. Gore scored the only goal. In another Cup surprise, Swansea City beat Crystal Palace 2-1 in a second replay Page 9

Wigan beat Chelsea

Rebels' writ: Three social workers who withdrew from picket lines plan to sue their union, Nalgo, over strike pay 4 Vaccine campaign : A renewed battle to get state cash for children damaged by

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# Those men of steel behind the strike

By Alan Hamilton

The room is thickly carpeted and almost tidy. The three tele-plaones jangle endlessly, but the voices of the union officers are deliberate and calm. The impression is that everything is inder control and there are no uniformed girls pushing miniature pickets across any giant table map of Britain.

The first national steel strike since 1926 is run from the first fluor of Swinton House, the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation's headquarters of 1928 vintage a mere shout from Kings Cross station, with the solid look of a bank and a well-padded interior to march. "We do not believe in inflicting poor products on the control of the cont working conditions on our staff", observes Mr Kenneth Clarke, one of three union officers manning the strike control room for 12 hours every day.

Each day begins soon after 8 am with Mr Clarke, Mr Roy Evans and Mr Sandy Feather, son of an illustrious union father, receiving reports from father, receiving reports from the union's seven regional offices throughout the country on the progress of the strike. A daily bulletin is typed and dis-played. Then the three confer with Mr William Sirs, the general secretary, and bring him up to date on the strike.

From then on, the union's of them, because we are not mall and overheated switch certain where their steel is oard is jammed with incoming coming from. We believe BSC alls for the rest of the day. The brought in a million tons of board is jammed with incoming calls for the rest of the day. The



Mr Kenneth Clarke (left) and Mr Sandy Feather at the hub of the national steel strike.

three officers lament the apparent mability of the Post Office to supply extra lines at short notice. Most calls are not from union members at all, but from engineering firms and other customers of the British Steel Corporation desperately seeking dispensation from the union to allow steel supplies into their works.

"This is the most difficult part", explains Mr Clarke. "We have to say no to most

foreign steel shortly before the strike, and that is now distri-buted around the country." The control room keeps in close touch with the railway, transport, docks and seamen's unions which have all affirmed their support and frequently ring up to offer help, or to report a sighting of steel on the move. Sheaves of telegrams of support arrive from steel unions in Mexico, Germany, Norway, the Soviet Union and elsewhere, many of them hav-ing to be whisked off to a

translator before their message

Day-to-day organization of picketing is arranged from the seven regional offices at Glas-gow, Middlesbrough, Rother-ham, Sutton Coldfield, Newport, Swansea and Knutsford, but the London headquarters occasionally sends pickets into un-familiar territory. Yesterday they had arranged for 50 men from Sheffield to make a quick tour of south coast ports to see if they could spot any blacked steel entering the country.

Pride of place on the cam-paign notice board yesterday was given to a leader column from The Sunday Times. "Very

good stuff; that should do us a lot of good", was the unanimus verdict of the officers.

In the front hall of the building, the officers point proudly to a handsome stainproudly to a handsome stain-less steel sculpture made and presented by apprentices at the GKN steelworks in South Wales. "A product of the private sec-tor, of course", says one of the officers wryly. "You wouldn't get that from Mr Pastry's out-fit", a slighting reference to the public sector whose chair man hears a slight physical reman bears a slight physical re-semblance to a one-time fav-ourite of children's television.

# Pickets switch blockade to ports in south-east after cargo diverted

Steel worker pickets are to extend their action to ports in the South-east today after re-ports that cargoes of imported steel destined for docks in East Anglia have been diverted

Among the ports they plan to blockade are Rochester, on the Medway, and Dover, where fly-ing pickets from Sheffield will be todging with Kent miners. More than 50 steel workers from Corby are travelling to Rochester today and tomorrow will be bringing a caravan down to mouse them for an indefinite

Mr Mechael Skelton, the Corby strike coordinator, said yesterday that at least three ships had been diverted there from King's Lynn.
Picketing at the King's Lynn

and Boston docks, together with blacking of cargoes by dockers and drivers from the Transport and General Workers' Union, has stopped steel imports. Mr Robert Owen, manager of King's Lynn docks, said that no steel was now being brought in. The ports normally handle more than 250,000 tonnes a

However, Mr Owen could not confirm that ships had been rerouted. "We do not even

Continent are bringing in the cargoes at all", he added.

The big Corby works was left yesterday with only a token picket as local and Iron and

Cardiff
The Wales TUC yesterday

announced a one-day strike in two weeks' time to protest against imported coal and threatened prolonged industrial action in March unless the British Steel Corporation (BSC) shelves its plans to run down the industry. A total han on

the industry. A total ban on handling coal ships in South

Wales will continue.

The 14 unions at yesterday's meeting in Cardiff postponed their plans to call an all-out strike from next Monday after heing necessarily properties of

From Tim Jones

Seventy pickets from Corby, together with men from the Stocksbridge plant, near Shef-field, moved in at dawn against John Lee Steel Services, a wholly owned British Steel stockholder at Grantham, Lincolnshire, after reports that Transport Union drivers had been ignoring headquarters' and taking steel out across

picket lines. The dispute at John Lee disclosed confusion and tensions among unionists. While 12 of the company's drivers belonging to the Transport Union were sent home last week for refus-ing to deliver steel, 45 loaders in the General and Municipal Workers Union are continuing

to work on union advice. This has led to bitterness among their ISTC colleagues who are office staff not involved in the main pay claim. Of the 25 ISTC staff at the company, 21 who struck last week in sup-port are women, and local offi-cers of the union say there is mounting pressure among them to return to work.

Ronald Faux writes from Motherwell: Strike pickets in Scotland changed their tactics yesterday and began directing shire miners' president, said their main action against fac- after a meeting of a Yorkshire tories and engineering works that use steel in the central industrial belt.

Targets include such com-

from voting.

After three hours the unions

accepted that the British TUC should be responsible for coordinating opposition to the steel cuts but added a proviso that they would go it alone unless the points outlined in their formula had been settled by March 10

by March 10.
This called for the dismissal

of the BSC's top management, a two-year halt to any closure

arrived with a mandate from ment, the BSC and the TUC

their members supporting the how we view the severity of original strike call, abstained the problems that face us. We

Wales TUC delays strike for a week

Bridge and Honeywell at New-house. The British Leyland heavy vehicle plant at Bathgate was also picketed.

Strike organizers at their headquarters in Motherwell claimed that their action was proving effective and that most Scottish stockholders had agreed not to move substantial

Ronald Kershaw writes from Sheffield: South Yorkshire police outside the private sector steelworks of Hadfields, Sheffield, widely regarded as the trouble centre of the north, reported their quietest day of the strike westerday. the strike yesterday.

Freezing, corrential rain reduced the number of pickets to

a couple of dozen outside the plant. The absence of a make-shift shelter and a brazier did nothing to help the pickets. Private sector steelworkers in South Yorkshire decided at a weekend meeting that they would disregard any instructions by their union, ISTC, to

join the BSC strike. Within the plant, normal working proceeded and lorries entered and left without trouble after drivers made only brief stops to listen to pickets.

Mr Arthur Scargill, the Yorkarea council of the National Union of Mineworkers yester-day that no "black" steal would be accepted by Yorkshire Steel Trades Confederation offipanies as Caterpillar at Udding-miners. He refused to define cials concentrated on clamping ston, Talbot at Linwood, Boover "black" steel.

are not kidding anyone.

The one-day strike will be

specifically to protest against

# 'Cash needed' to get peace talks going

Steel union leaders yesterday insisted once again that there would have to be "money on the table" before talks to end the table" before talks to end their two-week-old strike could begin. They also hinted that a third party might be required to bring the two sides together again.

That was the guidance on the state of the dispute given to the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service on the eve of a meeting at which extension of the state steel shutdown into the

the state steel shutdown into the private sector will be discussed. Private steelmaking plant shop stewards of the dominant Iron and Steel Trades Con-federation are to hold talks in London this afternoon, but they will almost certainly refuse to call out another 10,000 men not directly effected by the pay confrontation in the British Steel Corporation.

South Yorkshire private steelmen in particular, angered by the impact of secondary picket-ing by their BSC colleagues in the Sheffield and Rotherham area, have said they do not want to join the stoppage. The views conveyed to ISTC leaders will be put tomorrow to a full meeting of the union's executive, which alone has the power

to extend the shutdown.

During the hour-long briefin mer, chairman of Acas, yester-keep the private sector out of day, Mr William Sirs, general it."

secretary of the ISTC, reaffirmed the strikers insistence on an improved offer from and ad their own negotiations, British Steel before reopening he added.

negotiations. He also suggested that a mediator or go-between would have to restart the peace

An ISTC spokesman said that perhaps relationships "had gone beyond the point where we can sit down and talk with the corporation without getting cross with one another". As the steel unions emerged from the Acas talks, Mr Hector

Smith, general secretary of the National Union of Blastfurnacemanonal Union of Blastiurnace-men, gave a warning that safety men might be taken off steel plant, creating a "very dan-gerous" situation. NUB mem-bers have been maintaining furnaces and coke ovens since the strike began on January 2.

Mr Smith said: "We may have to take them off it if we feel the strike is not biting enough. We have the minimum on now. It could be very dangerous if we take more off. Linings in the coke ovens and blastfurnaces would fall in and it would take years to replace them. Of course, we do not want it to happen but if it is the only way to make it effective,

Asked about the decision by South Yorkshire private sector steelworkers not to strike if told to, Mr Sirs said: "My private sector people are following the line I have told them to take. I meeting with Mr James Morti- have said very clearly we must

#### Yorkshire men reinforce Midland lines

From Penny Symon Birmingham

Steel workers from Yorkshire have been rushed to the West Midlands, which contain the largest concentration of steel imported coal.
Miners' leaders claim that the BSC is about to sign new contracts for a further 1.2 million tonnes of foreign coal, and have stockholders in the country, promised independent indus-trial action if such a deal goes increasing the number of pickets there by an estimated 40 per through. The BSC refused yes-terday to comment.

About 140 men from Sheffield As part of their strategy to maintain a militant impetus the and Rotherham arrived yestercay at Birmingham Borough Labour Party headquarters in Bristol Street, where party workers, members of the Iron Wales TUC has asked Mr Len Murray and members of the TUC General Council to visit and Steel Trades Confederation and other unions helped to organise them.

Mr Ray Bishop, ISTC, divisional officer for the midlands, said he had asked for extra pickets because the area con-trined few British Steel Corporation plants, so that there were not many steel workers available.

"Response was good and accommodation is being provided in people's homes", he said. Mr Bishop is hoping for a further 100 men later this weel, but heavy snow which began at lunchtime yesterday could hamper that.

"The men who picketed today were not happy about the terrible weather, but they are equipped with warm clothing and sleeping bags", he said. "Our problem is keeping them warm and fed, and we have a soun and red, and we have a soun soun round in anned. soup van going round, manned by wives of ISTC officials. But by wives of ISTC orracions that got stuck in the snow

today.
"We believe we have public opinion on our side, judging loothe number of beds offered for the pickets
About 30 firms were picketed

About 30 firms were picketed yesterday, most of them private steel stockholders. Private firms have a 90 per cent share of the market: the rest is run by BSC's stockholding division. The largest number of pickets, about 50, was at Howard E. Perry and Co, in Willenhall, as the ISTC is concerned about that firm's movement of imported steel.

ment of imported steel.

Mr Ernst Pleer, Perry's managing director, said he had a small amount of BSC steel in stock, about 120 tonnes, and he promised union officials

# Why steel output

Management Correspondent

making plants is considerably lower than that of their EEC competitors, but their capacity utilization is better, according to a progress report published yesterday by the National Economic Development Coun-cil's iron and steel sector working party. In spite of improvements

and a reduction in employment, it took British plants more than double the number of man hours to produce a ton of crude Belgian and Luxembourg plants. The comparison with West
West Germany and France is
only slightly more favourable.
The most favourable comparison is with France, where it took 6.4 man hours to produce a ton of steel, compared with Britain's 10.9 hours. The least favourable is Luxembourg, where it took only 4.8 hours.

Paris.
The conclusion reached is

ment in output per man hour recorded in the United King-dom between 1978 and 1979

per cent capacity. The nearest equivalent is Italy at 67 per cent and 69 per cent, respec-tively, followed by France at 67 per cent and 66 per cent. The main recommendation of

The main recommendation of the working party is that the industry should introduce changes in working arrange-ments to improve efficiency. Indications of where the changes could be made are con-tained in reports of detailed "But I must move stock which is of EEC origin", he said. "If I cannot, I shall go bankrupt."

# HOME NEWS\_ Two million workers in critical test of public sector pay limit

The Government's policy of The Government's policy of containing pay rises in the public sector faces a series of critical tests over the next few days in wage deliberations covering nearly two million workers.

Local government manual workers are expected to reach agreement on a 14 per cent parkage within the Cabinet's cash limits, but negotiations covering civil servants, railwaymen and water workers are running into difficulties.

Preliminary talks between Civil Service union leaders and the Civil Service Department

the Civil Service Department due to have taken place yesterday were called off after disagreement between the two sides on the true money value of Pay Research Unit findings on the pay gap between the private sector and government

Exploratory discussions covering nearly 500,000 white-collar civil servants are likely to be resumed tomorrow or later in the week. The unions say that since their last settlement salaries have fallen behind by 20 per cent. They want the difference made up.

Union leaders seeking increases of 22 to 30 per cent for 42,000 British Gas Corporation manual employees were last

manual employees were last night offered increases ranging from £7.65 a week for labourers (13.4 per cent) to £11.37 for craftsmen (16.6 per cent), with improved stand-by payments and holiday concessions.

The offer was not accepted. Talks are being resumed on Talks are being resumed on February 1.

In the public services the Government is expected to achieve its first substantial success on Thursday, when three unions representing 1,100,000 town hall manual staff agree to

a deal consistent with Cabinet guidelines.

a division between two of the unions, but there was agree-ment to start detailed negotiations.

The dispute between the National Union of Railwaymen and the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen (Aslef) centred on how the talks should proceed. The NUR wanted industrywide discussions involving all three unions but has settled for working parties on each union's area of responsibility.

The unions were meeting the board to discuss their reply to BR's demands for increased productivity contained in the boards Challenge of the 80s programme. The unious reply was a £300m package of increases in basic rates, a shorter working week and improved holiday entitlement. The first working parties are expected to meet later this week.

In the water industry a second union is expected tomor-row to follow the General and Municipal Workers and threaten strike action. An executive meeting of the

National Union of Public Employees is likely to ratify a call from its water delegates to sanction a strike if the em-ployers refuse a commitment to implement a comparability

The 14 per cent settlement will influence an offer the next day to 250,000 hospital ancillary workers.

Those two groups engaged in industrial action last year against the Labour government's per cent incomes policy, but show little inclination to repeat their inilitancy, and similar settlements are now likely among ambulancemen and nurses.

Pay and productivity talks yesterday between the British Railways Board and the three main rail unions ended with a division between two of the

About 25,000 manual workers in universities have received an offer which includes a reduction of one hour in the working week, four days' extra holiday and improvements on basic rates ranging from £6.09 a week to £7.50. The package amounts to about 14 per cent.

The unions seek a 35-hour The namons seek a 22-nour week and reaffirmation, despite findings of the Clegg commission, that two thirds of the national average wage is a fair minimum wage for the manual workers. Members of three unions will vote on the offer, which seems likely to be accepted.

A potentially troublesome negotiation involves 2,000 municipal airport manual workers, who have submitted a workers, who nave submitted a claim for parity with British Airways staff. They have received a 10 per cent interim offer, and meanwhile await the result of Clegg investigations, which is not expected before the middle of next month.

A model of the Governments policy on pay and productivity can be found at Rolls-Royce, where there has been general where there has been general acceptance by the company's 55,000 workers to forge cost of-living rises and agree to productivity-linked deals.

ment says: " As the result of

the berrayals of the Bevanites, some of the 'lefts' have become discouraged and tend

to drop out of the party. They
will be replaced by dozen,
hundreds and thousands of
militants in the period that

"The experience of a strike

is a valuable analogy. Every militant who has participated in a strike has experienced the

quickening effects on the con-

sciousness of workers. They learn eagerly and quickly.

Perspectives and Tasks, points

the way ahead for the "Mili-tant" group, stating that the decline of Britain, and the growth of nationalism, provides

Marxists to emphasize the imperative necessity for "rea-

listic revolutionary policies to halt the attacks on living standards, social services and

Reformism without reforms

great opportunity for the

The 1976 document, British

looms ahead.

#### Drivers at Esso call off stoppage Continued from page 1

A strike threatened by Esso tanker drivers was called off yesterday after a union ballot showed the men were in fayour of accepting a pay offer from management.

The national ballot result also means that an overtime ban started last month by 1,500 drivers will end. Meetings are being held to

day at Stanwell, Surrey, and Purfleet, Essex, for 450 drivers who have been on strike since last week to decide whether to return to work.

Esso said last night: "It will take a short while to get back to normal, particularly in the London area, where the de-livery situation has been severe because of the strikes at Stanwell and Purfleet".

Mr Tony Cooper, senior shop steward at Stanwell, would not say whether his men would now automatically vote to re-turn to work in view of the ballot result. "It will be up to the membership to decide".

#### Junior doctors demand 30 pc

Britain's 20,000 junior hospital doctors last night submit-ted a pay claim which if accepted would boost their salaries by 30 to 36 per cent from April.

The claim would give a houseman earning the minimum of £4,164 a salary of about £5,550. A senior registrar on the maximum salary of £8,550 would earn about £11,400.

# Militants planned to wreck Labour

wing and revolutionary con-clusions".

From the theory the document turns to the strategy for "entrism". The group's day-to-day work within the trade union branches and the Labour Party wards "must be imbued with these ideas", it states. It continues: At the present

time, the Transport House bureaucracy relies only on a thin stratum of its members for its machine. The experi-ence of the past decade has had its effect on the rank and file. Largely it is the full-time officials and councillors on whom Transport House relies

for its support.
"Not even all these. Quite a big section, in various (constituency) parties supports the left. Under conditions of crises, this stratum, whose horizon is bounded by the routine of local affairs, would be affected by the mood of the rank and file." It argues that the weight of the bureaucracy is on this stratum and that the Wilson report that Sir Harold Wilson produced in 1956 on the party's organization), with its separation in many instances of trades councils from constituency Labour parties and the greater emphasis on the constituency parties, lowered the specific weight of the trade union delegates and raised the weight of the constituency party machine. "The party requires the renovating breezes of the class struggle which will put all shades and grudings in the party to the test."

Raising its sights towards the

NE, fresh; max temp 2° to 4°C

rain or sleet dying out slowly; wind variable, light, becoming NE, fresh or strong; max temp 3° or 4°C (37° to 39°F).

Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Observe Firth, NE, NW Scotland,

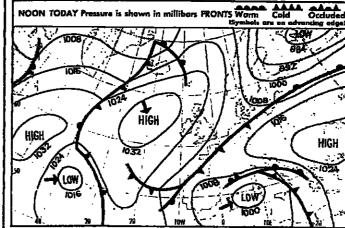
was impotent to prevent even the break-up of Britain. In a rallying call for its

so on ".

revolutionary programme, the document states: "We must imbue every supporter with confidence in the ideas and in the perspectives, both immediate and long term. We must have local editorial heads must have local editorial boards acting as guides to supporters in the areas. Regular schools involving every supporter and possible supporter must be organized every two months or so. This is a vital task. Two or three thousand active supporters should be the minimum we can set ourselves."

Leading article, page 13

## ultimate objective, the docu-Weather forecast and recordings



Today

Sun rises: 8.0 am Sun sets: 4.20 pm Moon rises: Moon sets: 5.19 am 2.20 pm New Moon : January 17. New Moon: January 17.

Lighting up: 4.50 pm to 7.30 am.

High water: London Bridge, 11.36
am, 6.1m. Avonmouth, 4.43 am,
11.3m; 5.14 pm, 11.6m. Dover,
8.51 am, 5.9m; 9.25 pm, 6.0m.

Hull. 3.52 am, 6.3m; 4.20 pm,
6.6m. Liverpool, 9.8 am, 8.3m;
9.31 pm, 8.3m.

A trough of low pressure will become slow moving in the Eng-lish Channel, with a ridge of high pressure building across Scotland. Forecasts for 6 and to midnight: London, SE England, East Anglia: Rather cloudy, sleet or snow dying out inland but con-tinuing near windward coasts; wind NE, Iresh or strong; max temp 2°C (36°F).

Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland; Sleet or snow showers, sunny intervals; wind N, fresh, backing W, moderate; max temp 3°C (37°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Thursday: Mostly dry and cold with Irost and log patches overnight in England and Wales; Scotland and N Ireland will become less cold and changeable.

Sea passages: S North Sea, Central, S, SW England: Sleet or snow gradually dying out, sunny intervals developing; wind WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; f, fair ; r,

1m = 3.2808ft.

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Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind NE, moderate, in-creasing to fresh or strong; sea moderate or rough.

St George's Channel, Irish Sea:
Wind Ne, strong, occasionally gale
at first; sea rough or very rough.

NE, fresh; max temp 2° to 4°C (36° to 39°F).

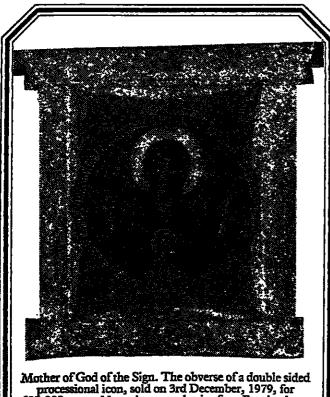
Midlands, Wales, NW England.
Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, N Ireland: Mostly dry, sunny periods; wind N, moderate or fresh, decreasing slowly; max temp 3°C (37°F).

E, central N, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, central Highlands: Scattered sleet or snow showers, sunny intervals; wind N, fresh or strong, moderating; max temp 2° or 3°C (36° or 37°F).

Channel Islands: Mostly cloudy, rain or sleet dying out slowly; Yesterday

London: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 1°C (34°F); min 6 pm to 6 am -2°C (28°F). Humidity, 6 pm, 83 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 6 pm, a trace. Sun. 24 hr to 6 pm, 2.9 hr. Bur. mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,013.2 millibars, falling.

1,000 millibars = 29.53 in.



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## strike from next Monday after being placared by promises of firm action from the British TUC. Significantly, leaders of the Wales TUC, said: "Our purpose is to tell the Govern-Cardiff for urgent discussions. Stockholders report more activity at ports

By Nicholas Timmins

By Nicholas Tummins
The National Association of
Steel Stockholders said that
picketing of its members
appeared to be no worse vesterday, despite reports of intensified picketing in some areas.
But picketing at norts increased. Harwich and Lowestoft
were added to the last coast
ports picketed, flying pickets
from South Yorkshire travelled from South Yorkshire travelled to the Channel ports, including Dover, and pickets from Corby were due at Rochester docks

today.

Mr John Safford, director of Mr John Sattord, director or the British Iron and Steel Con-sumers' Council, said picketing on steel users had been stepped up. But he said: "There are still only a small proportion of firms being picketed. Glasgow, Sheffield and South Wales are being affected in particular, but many areas are trouble free." At Neath. South Wales, the large Metal Box factory was again picketed, and the company said that the production line would shut within two weeks unless the pickets left.
The company's Leicester factory was also picketed for part
of the day.

Despite the picketing of steel

The stockholders' association said: "In the main, picketing had been fairly good humoured, is generally within the law and is not interfering with the es-sential conduct of our busi-

stockholders, considerable quantities of steel are still be-

#### lags behind **EEC** companies By Patricia Tisdall

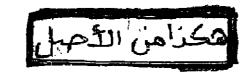
Productivity at British steel-

brought about by plant closures

International comparisons of labour productivity are open to many criticisms such as differ-ing definitions of the industry and the extent to which sub-contractors are used. For that reason the working party has confined its comparisons to other EEC countries and products defined by the Treaty of

that the gap is widening be-cause an 8 per cent improve-

1ft = 0.3048m. dom between 1978 and 1979
was more than matched by
greater increases abroad.
The United Kingdom, however, has a higher capacity
utilization than its EEC competitors. The comparison
figures show that British blast furnaces are operating at 70 per cent and its steel plants at 71



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ette player. While outside are double-skinned metallic paint, alloy wheels and a headlamp wash/wipe system.

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# New campaign to win state help for the vaccine-damaged

By Pat Healy Social Services

Correspondent A renewed campaign to win state help for vaccine-damaged children is about to be children is about to be launched, despite the misgiv-ings of the organizers about the adverse effects it could have on vaccination pro-

grammes.
Mrs Rosemary Fox, founder and secretary of the Association of Parents of Vaccine-Damaged Children, said yesterday that the campaign had become necessary because the Government had made clear that it would armide no further help. would provide no further help. Figures released by the Department of Health and Social Security last night showed that up to January 11 awards of £10,000 tax free had been agreed for 353 cases, 31 of them on appeal. But Mr Jack Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke-on-Trent South, and campaigner for vaccine-damaged children, pointed out in a letter to Mr Patrick in a letter to Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for

Social Services, that 2,500 claims had been made.
Emphasizing that the "wrangling about compensation for vaccine-damaged children affected the immunization scheme, which should be supported, Mr Ashley called for an account of the scheme. urgent review of the scheme. The source of the anger heing expressed by Mrs Fox and her association is a letter from Mr Jenkin stating that any further help for vaccine-damaged children would be made in the context of better Help for the disabled generally.
He suggested that those helped under the Vaccine Damage (Payments) Act, 1979.

might reach 500, as the cost could rise to £5m. But Mrs Fox pointed out that Mr Jenkin's predecessor, Mr David Ennals, Labour MP for Norwich North, had made clear that the £10,000 payment scheme was intended to give immediate belp, without prejudice to future schemes. She said Mr Ennals had confirmed to her that he had intended the Government to do more. action, but the DHSS emphasized yesterday that no commitany government to say, in effect, ment had been made.

would suddenly emerge.

'go ahead and have a campaign' when we know from the pre vious campaign that it will have some effect on the public's reaction to vaccination", Mrs Fox said.

"This should not become a matter of public dispute, since we have a very clear case and it is not in dispute that the child-

ren are a special case."

Mrs Fox appealed to previous supporters, including the British Medical Association, before Christmas in the hope that they would apply pressure on the Government to change its mind. Since that appeal failed, the association will be launching its

new campaign on January 26.

The department insisted yesterday that the Government had not departed from policy in carrying out the new Act, and pointed out that Mr Ennals had not committed the last govern-ment to further action.

It confirmed that Mr Jenkin had written to Mrs Fox stating

that there was no prospect of new legislation to extend the scope of the Act. In his letter to Mr Jenkin, Mr Ashley said the last government had accepted that vaccine-damaged children were a special case because they had been severely damaged by a govern-ment-sponsored scheme run in

the national interest.

He urged Mr Jenkin to introduce "a proper lifetime pension" on similar lines to the industrial injury and war discharged the personal substants and the personal substants are personal substants and the personal substants are personal substants. ablement schemes, and the extension of the scheme to all vaccine-damaged children, including those born before

The Act limits help to people suffering 80 per cent disability and to those born since the start of the National Health Service in July, 1948.

The scheme has not been described of Figure 1948. described officially as a com-pensation scheme, but Mr pensation scheme, our mi-Ennals did describe it as a method of immediate help which "did not wipe the slate clean". Mr Ennals did make it clear that the Government was awaiting its consideration of the Pearson committee report on compensation for injury before deciding on further action, but the DHSS empha-

firms to avoid tax, Crown says

# **Ulster** death toll to

From Christopher Thomas Belfast

A series of attacks in Belfast in the past few days have taken Uster's death toll in 11 years of violence to 2,004.

The Provisional IRA now appears to be following a pattern: spectacular, publicity and the provisional special by

catching attacks succeeded by periods of relative calm in which lone gunmen and small bombing units maintain the tension

The attacks on Sunday night and early yesterday morning, which are almost certainly the work of the IRA, demonstrate the tactic: Gunmen tried to kill a man on the Crumlin Road after hijacking his car and ordering him to take them to a drinking club; two shots were fired in the Ballysilla area of Belfast; and £80,000 social club at the GEC factory in Larne was destroyed by fire.

The most astonishing attack, however, was on a reserve constable, Mr Donald Purse, aged 44, 14 minutes before the end of an Irish League football match at the Seaview ground, Belfast. He was shot inside the main gate as 1,000 supporters cheered their team on Satur-

day.

The brashness of the attack took the authorities by surprise and last night the Official Unionists criticized government security policy for pre-venting the organizers of crime rending the organizers of crime from being locked up.

As Mr Purse, a father of three, lay dead the killer was escaping in a stolen car later found abendoned in the Roman Catholic Turf Lodge area. The match was restarted but was abendoned in less than a minute when it was learned that Mr Purse was dead.

Mr Purse was dead.

The IRA stated yesterday that a men "deported" from Ulster in 1972, who returned in defiance of a promise to the defiance of a promise to stay out, would be killed if he was found to return again. The man has once more left

It was learnt yesterday that the Northern Ireland Office will issue invitations tomorrow to Ulster's four main political parties to a "second confer-ence" on security, the EEC and the economy,

Letters, page 11 Construction company set up sham

# Attacks take | Whitehall brief: War Office's interwar plans for dealing with civil disorder disclosed Troops seen only as reserve to local police force

By Peter Hennessy and Keith Jeffery Last Wednesday's BBC 1 television documentary, War School, afforded a fascinating glimpse of officer training at the Army Staff College, Camberley, for the handling of civil disorder on the United Kingdom mainland land.

burst of open government by the Ministry of Defence for which, no doubt, someone's career will suffer because of the predictable reaction from a handful of left-wing Labour MPs and Scottish nationalists.

The Army's simulated response to a riot in Aberdeen carefully stage managed by sub-versives is probably the closest the public will get for many years to the military's contemporary contingency plans for such traumas.

The Ministry of Defence files on "Military aid to the civil power" (riot control) and "Military aid to the civil ministries" (strike-breaking) have high secrecy classifications and a strictly limited circulation. But previous plans for the interwar period can now be seen at the Public Record Office in declassified War Office papers. The documents show hat the military combined an extreme reluctance to commit the Army to duties in aid of the civil power with detailed plans comes necessary. The War Office position was made clear in a letter to the Home Office in July, 1927.

were exhausted. It was not con-templated "that troops should be employed in lieu of police or on police duties". If troops were brought on to the streets they "should be held in formed they "should be held in rotated bodies, in reserve to the local police, and there should be a police, and there should be a screen of police between them and the civil populace until the military are required to act.".

Soldiers were given detailed instructions. In a 1923 pamphlet, the equivalent of today's "Yellow Card," in Northern Indeed in the Indiana that Troops, it was said, should Ireland, it was laid down that not be called out until all the clear warning must be given

Lord Ruthven: Held London command in general strike. before military force was used resources of the civil power and every party of troops was to be accompanied by a

drummer or bugler.

Blank cartridges were not to be used and firing over the heads of a crowd was forbidden, as it "spares the most guilty as it "spares the most guilty at the expense of the possibly

innocent."

Throughout the 1920s generals and politicians were obsessed by the fear of violent bolshevik revolution erupting in Britain.

After the 1914-18 War plans were prepared to thwart any insurrection. Stores of rifles and machine guns were stockpiled

at Army depots to provide rallying points for "loyal" civilians, skeleton staff lists were compiled and an emer-

was drafted.
One intriguing file describes
Intelligence the planned "Intelligence Organization for Emergency Home Defence", first prepared in 1921. In the event of "any serious outbreak of seditious stickers accurating within the violence occurring within the United Kingdom, each Army command was to appoint an intelligence section to collect information from civilian and

information from civilian and police sources. It was to do so only "by overt means" and was not permitted to employ "paid secret service agents".

The plan set great store by patriotic people in the criminal fraternity (whom it described in language worthy of lolanthe) and within trade unions themselves:

selves:

Due allowance must be made, however, for prejudice and tradition, and there are many people, especially in the hereditary criminal classes, who respect and would not on any account give information on any subject to the police. Many of these men, especially if ex-soldiers, would give information freely to the Army, and it might be permissible, under certain circumstances, for them to receive their out-of-pocker and loss of time expenses from Army funds.

loss of time expenses from Army funds.
Trade unions have a definite, legal, valuable and responsible position in the country. The Army must not make the mistake of approaching the officials of a union or federation of unions as though their existence was filegal or even antagonistic to the national welfare.

When they are directly or indirectly involved in the apparent cause of violence and disorder it will nearly always be found that their own authority has been usurped by irresponsible communists, anarchists or local hothers out for personal adult of the control of the control

neads out for personal advantage or plunder only. In 1924 the Army's plans were drawn together in a highly secret memorandum en.
nitled "Duties in Aid of the
Civil Power". Only 20 copies
were made. During the 1926
general strike the scheme was

implemented fully only in the London district. Arrangements were made to defend Whitehall with tanks and a battalion of Coldstream Guards manned barticades blocking the main approaches to the area. The docks were occupied and food convoys escorted to distribution points.

The Army's intelligence research The Army's intelligence sec-tion was reinforced by 12 "highly trained" officers from MI5 who were, it was reported, "of the greatest assistance dur-

ing the emergency".

The main lessons drawn by The main lessons drawn by Lord Ruthven, who commanded the troops in London in 1926, were that "except in very exceptional cases, Lewis guns and machine guns should not be taken. They decrease the bayonet men and are unsuitable for strike work in this country. "Commanding officers are manimous in stating that the manimous in stating that the training for war young officers had obtained since the [1914-18] war, at Aldershot or elsewhere". Even Camberley, it

seems, could not beat the real

# Poulson memoirs plan to help creditors

From Our Correspondent

Mr John Poulson, whose revelations at his public exam-ination in bankruptcy of pay-ments and gifts to MPs and top civil servants shook Whitehall, is to write his memoirs. He stated that in Wakefield County Court yesterday when he successfully applied for his discharge from bankruptcy. It

was stated that he would receive £30,000 in advances.

His liabilities totalled £900,000 and the trustee has recovered £311,000. Most creditors have received an interim dividend of 10p in the pound and Mr Desmond Simpson, for the trustee, gave an assurance after yesterday's hearing that there would be a further dividend from the proceeds of Mr

Poulson's memoirs.

Mr Poulson, aged 69, of Carleton Green, Pontefract, West Yorkshire, who built up the largest private architectural tural practice in Europe, em-ploying 750 people, filed his petition in 1972. Two years later he was jailed for seven years for conspiracy and corruption. He was released in May, 1977, and since then has been unemployed and receiving social security benefits, according to Mr John Pykett, assistant

squad. Mr Pykett told the court during the examination, that Mr Poulson gave payments and gifts to people to obtain contracts from local authorities and other organizations.

Mr Simon Mortimore, counsel for Mr Poulson, said he had been bankrupt for eight years, and in two years he would get an automatic discharge under an amnesty provision. But he was anxious for an earlier discharge so that he could contribute to the family income and also because he had the means to make an extremely attractive offer to his creditors.

"He is prepared to make available to the trustee half of the money he receives from publishers in respect of his autobiography", he said.

Mr Mortimer said that Mr Poulson was huring his dis-

Poulson was buying his discharge two years early and paying quite a substantial price.

A contract had been drawn up A contract had oeen grawn ap-for him to write a 120,000-word autobiography to be delivered within a year. He would receive £30,000 in advances.

Judge Richard Nevin, granting the discharge, which is suspended for 28 days, said that

as Mr Poulson was no longer able to practice as an architect and was not going into business again it was most unlikely that His public examination began in 1972, but a year later was adjourned after his arrest by Scotland Yard's fraud again it was most unlikely that the same sort of thing would happen in the future. "I accept you are a sick and broken man, and you have undergone your punishment" he said

# Doctors will be helped to return to practice

By John Roper Health Services Correspondent

Doctors and nurses who moved into management in the 1974 reorganization of the National Health Service would be helped and encouraged to return to clinical practice, Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services, said yesterday.

"I want to see more doctors practising medicine, more dentists doing dentistry and more nurses engaged in direct patient care", he told the first important conference of administrators, doctors, nurses and other NHS workers, held in Portland Place, London, to consider sovernment proposals on sider government proposals on the future structure of the

Mr Jenkin, who said he wished to avoid the turbulence caused by the 1974 reorganization, when many senior staff had to reapply for their jobs, had a mixed reception. The Government, he said was

well aware that any large organization could be destroyed by changes, making the loss greater than the gain. It had been criticized because the consultative document had not spelt out in detail how staff would be affected. That would be done as soon as possible.

However agreed rules for the transfer and protection of staff qualified to see the NHS through the difficult years

It would be a tragedy if all those people with talent and experience who were nearest to the point of patient care felt that their interests would be been according to the care felt that their interests would be been according to the care of the be best served by leaving the service he said. Mr Jenkin disclosed that in

the long-term reorganization of regional health authorities one regional health attachments one possibility was that their membership might consist wholly, or almost wholly, of representatives of district health

Miss Catherine Hall, general secretary of the Royal College of Nursing, said that the consultative document appeared to take a somewhat superficial approach to what were more tremendous changes in a service only recently reorganized. Time given for comment was

short and legislation had al-ready been introduced, which could give an impression that the Government's mind was made up. All agreed with the title of the document, Patients First, but staff should be seen as close runners-up.

Mr Kenneth Bales, admini-strator for the West Midland as a simplistic conception of the hospital scene, with the matron and hospital secretary working harmonicular and hospital secretary to do everything possible to re-tain the services of those best been his experience.

cation, which was inefficient and which did not give them the

He added: "I accept that

these children may have many practical skills that other child

ren of their age do not have,

and that there are many pro-jects on the family smallbolding

able to undertake.

able to cope."

which these children might be

"This might fit them for the

kind of life that they are living

at the moment, but if they choose some other way of life

in the future they may not be

Mr Trevor Jellis, principal educational psychologist for the

courty council, said that only once had he seen small evidence of the children's written work. He admitted that he had

been "impressed by the social

and emotional maturity of the

The hearing continues today.

basics of a sound education.

# In brief

#### Views invited on Finniston report

The Department of Education and Science has invited more than fifty educational organizaposses made last week by the Finniston committee on the engineering profession.

The department says it would also welcome comments by April 1 from anyone else with an interest in the educational

The German actor, Gunnar Moller, aged 51, who played the Dutch bargee in the BBC television series, Secret Army, denied murdering his wife, Bridgett, an actress, when he appeared yesterday at the Central Criminal Court. His trial was fixed for a later date and he was further remanded

in Holly Hill, Hampstead, London, last September. She had head injuries.

# £4 dog licence

A £4-a-year dog licence and duced in Northern Ireland, probably late in 1981, in an attempt to cut down attacks on people and livestock by packs of strays. The present dog licence is 30p.

The new measures were announced yesterday by Mr Giles Shaw, the minister responsible for agriculture.

#### Army plane crew killed

were killed yesterday when it came down in flames at the intersection of the M3 and the A30 near Basingstoke, Hamp-

Three schools are to take part Three schools are to take part this term in a pilot Arts Council project, with financial support from Marks and Spencer and local authorities, to encourage an interest in dance among children. The scheme will involve professional dancers. The schools are in Hampshire, Manchester and Leeds and the Courses last five weeks.

Ladbroke's appeal

Ladbroke's appeal against the refusal of Knightsbridge Crown Court last month to renew

# £5,000 penny found

A silver penny issued during the reign of the Anglo-Saxon king Offa has been found on a building site in Peterborough by a treasure hunter. Its value has been put at £5,000. £15,000 haul

Boy accidentally shot A boy aged six died yester-day after being accidentally shot waile be and his brother were playing at their home near Sevenoaks, Kent.

Books destroyed Thousands of books were

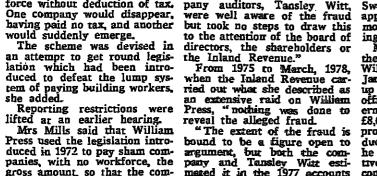
destroyed when fire swept through a public library in West Street, Farnham, Surrey,

# gross. The person operating the company got a cut of 10 per cent or thereabouts for providing that service. The company disappeared and no tax was arose out of any payments ever paid. Mrs Mills said the company thereby managed to stay competitive by keeping costs down. Even if the allegations could be sustained, the loss was calculated by an independent It also had a contented workchartered accountant, on the

#### Pig movements restricted in seven count ies The movement of pigs was

restricted in seven counties by the Ministry of Agriculture yes-terday to try to halt the spread of swine vesicular disease, which could have a devastating economic effect on pig farmers.

The ministry also warned farmers to take stringent precautions against the disease, including cleaning pig transporters and hear-treating swill. The ministry believes that lax swill heat-treatment has allowed the virus to reappear after an expensive programme eradicated it for nearly two years.



argument, but both the com-pany and Tansley Witt esti-mated it in the 1977 accounts as not exceeding £2m", she panies could pass the money on to the William Press workforce

William Press, the engineer force, paid gross, "and the only least favourable basis to the ing and construction company, loser was the Inland Revenue. company, as being about used a succession of labourouly contracting companies to
dodge tax liabilities of up to
£2m, Mr Jeremy Connor, the
magistrate, was told at a special
sitting at Caxton Hall, London,
yesterday.

Mrs Barbara Mills, for the
prosecution, said the company

loser was the Inland Revenue.

"In addition, William Press
put payments for weekend
work and overtime to its employees on PAYE through
these companies, so although
sitting at Caxton Hall, London,
westerday.

Mrs Barbara Mills, for the
prosecution, said the company company, as being about £378,000, spread over the total number of years concerned Eleven executives, including Raymond Daniels, managing director, and Alan Gravelius, financial director, and the company itself, are charged with conspiracy to defraud the Inyesterday.

Mrs Barbara Mills, for the prosecution, said the company set up a series of sham comhappy as well."

basic week, their other money was gross", she said. "This kept their PAYE employees happy as well."

Brian Buckley, the company's panies to pay its own work- Mrs Mills added: "The com- tax manager, and Edward force without deduction of tax. pany auditors, Tansley Witt, Swaysland, an accountant, One company would disappear, were well aware of the fraud appeared on individual summonses alleging false account-

Mrs Mills said that one of William Press in Scotland was James McGowan, who had set up a company with a registered office in Londonderry, North-ern Ireland. He received about £8,000 a week for the men he provided, but with the introduction of the new legislation he told William Press executives that he was willing to continue only on a temporary basis, because he could not get a rax exemption certificate.

Mrs Mills said that at a meeting with William Press execu-

tives on the eve of the intro-duction of the new legislation Mr McGowan suggested that a company being set up in the Isle of Man by a Mr J. Murphy could provide labour on the same basis as his own company. The hearing continues today.



Speedy two-seater: The Blackpool-based specialist car company, TVR, today launches a new high performance two-seater, the Tasmin (our Motoring Correspondent writes). Powered by a Ford V6 cylinder, fuel-injected 2.8 litre engine, it accelerates from 0 to 60 m.p.h. in 7.5 seconds and reaches a top speed of 133 mph. The glass fibre bodyshell has two side doors and a tailgate and retractable headlights. Costing £12,800 and replacing all existing TVR models, the Tasmin is to make its debut at the Brussels Motor Show and will be in dealers' showrooms by the end of the month. Production will be about ten a week,

#### Caution against escapist drift into university By A Staff Reporter

Sixth-formers are urged not to go on to full-time higher education as "a refuge from the reality of having to earn a living" in a booklet published yesterday by the Department of Education and Science.

It asks would-be students to consider whether they really want to go on to a university or polytechnic, or whether they are "simply drifting towards it in response to the expectations of parents and friends".

Sixth-formers should not com-

mit themselves to any kind of full-time higher education if of the numerous courses avail able, the booklet says. But nor should they be deterred by other people's "prejudices". The author, Mr David Dixon, a sixth-form master at the John Lyon Schoool, Harrow, has a special word of caution for

girls.
"Girls are still subjected to prejudices about courses which lead to careers traditionally labelled as 'man's work'", he writes. "This is almost always unjustifiable and women are now working in all sorts of former male 'preserves'." former male 'preserves'."

Above all, sixth-formers are reminded that it is never too late to return to higher or further education.

Higher Education—Finding your beautiful to the state of the state

#### Immigrant pupils | Couple 'not giving children born in Britain do well

"This was particularly strik-ing for second generation Asian children, who were the highest scorers of all", the survey

shown by the survey, but over all their average attainment was lower than any other

Children of Immigrants: school

# By Frances Gibb School pupils who are second generation immigrants on the whole do as well as and

says.
The same difference of attainment between first and second generation immigrant

Higher Education—Finding your way (Department of Education and Science, Room 2-11 Elizabeth House, York Road, London, SE1; free to careers teachers. Street, London, SW1).

sometimes better than indigen-ous children from similar home backgrounds, a survey pub-lished yesterday says.

The survey, by the National Children's Bureau, shows that second generation immigrant children (those born in Britain

to foreign parents) do better in reading and mathematics not only than first generation immigrant children (those born abroad to foreign parents) but also in many cases better than indigenous children.

was lower than any other immigrant group.

The authors of the survey. based on children aged 16 throughout Britain, urge that help for immigrant children should be temporary and related to their needs at the time.

Children of Immigrants school

# Middlesbrough claims

gates and a pillar collapsed at the end of a league match against Manchester United, met against Manchester United, ther all safety standards although it lacked a safety certificate, club officials claimed yesterday. Mr Harry Green, the club secretary, said that about £420,000 had been spent over the past four or five years on ground improvements, including

1975, obliging them to apply for safety certificates. But local authorities were advised that certificates need not be issued immediately so that clubs could make improvements in the

The Home Office said yester-day that Middlesborough was one of only two clubs originally designated that had not It is up to local authorities to decide what conditions should apply at a ground before

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#### The restrictions involve parts of Cheshire, Greater Manchester, Lancashire, Merseyside, Derbyshire and North and West Rising population will mean | Strikers to sue Nalgo over withheld pay starvation, Duke says

The world population explosion will mean poverty, disease and starvation, the Duke of Edinburgh said yesterday. "We are in the epicentre of the explosion right now", he told the Science Digest magazine in an interview.

"Future generations of man are going to pay the price in poverty, disease and starvation, while the future for genera-tions of wild animals and plants is that there will not be any." The Duke also said: "If we do not save threatened species such as whales now it will be

too late by the time today's young have grown up." Man had learnt more in the past fifty years than in the tudes.

previous 5,000. But human nature had remained virtually

unchanged. " If you dangerous toys to play with, or invent destructive games for them to play, the chances are that they will hurt each other." He said the future of nuclear power would be decided more by people's emotions than by

"It would be possible to draw up a balance sheet showing the advantages of a reliable source of non-polluting energy against the disadvantages of a declining supply of a conventional source of energy or waste disposal problems. But that would not change people's emotional atti-

# By Our Social Services Correspondent

Three social workers are planning to sue their union in the High Court because they believe strike pay was wrongly withheld when they refused to obey picketing instructions. All three went on strike when the Tower Hamlets branch of the National and Local Govern-

ment Officers Association (Nalgo) in London called social workers out in support of the campaign for local bargaining Miss Mary Muliony Mr Jeffrey Davis and Mr John Beasley, who claim they are owed £1,500, £1,200 and £155 raisen ured pounds " legal cal respectively, have raised "several hundred pounds"

they are waiting for decisions come out on strike and on their applications for legal aid before issuing a writ.

Mr Beasley, a Nalgo shop steward and senior social worker at Tower Hamlets, said penalties imposed decided not provide the strike of the financial penalties imposed decided not penalties. yesterday that their case rested on a decision by the national strike committee that strike pay would not be paid to mem-bers who did not take part in picketing. That decision had been taken ten weeks after the beginning of the strike, which lasted for nine and a half

Mr Beasley said he had challenged the ruling as unconstitutional. He had stopped picketing before the ruling was made because of "verbal pressure" on the picket line, which has attributed to him which respectively, have raised he attributed to his public "several hundred pounds" criticism of the strike. He and towards their legal costs through an appeal fund. But the strike, he said, but had

picketing sessions in one month and because of the financial penalties imposed decided not penantes imposed decided not to picket again. Miss Mullany had picketed her own office, but refused on professional social work grounds to picket elsewhere. Mr Beasley said the three had refused to go to a local appeal because they did not feel they would get a fair hearing. After

they consulted a solicitor, Nalgo set up a national appeal, which had found against them. The local appeal, which con-stituted normal procedure in the union, had heard the case and union, had heard the case and awarded some money to one of the three. The national executive had considered the report of the uppeal and found it to be

## a proper education' From Our Correspondent

Great Witley
A couple who quit the business world to live on a small-holding were taken to court by Hereford and Worcester County Council for allegedly refusing to send their three children to school.

Geoffrey Harrison, aged 41, a heating engineer, and his wite, Iris, aged 37, a former model, are seeking the right to educate the children in their own way at the smallholding, at Roch-ford, near Tembury Wells, Hereford and Worcester. They have defied attendance orders served by the county council and yesterday pleaded not guilty at Great Witley magistrates' court to three charges of refusing to ensure the attendance at school of their doubter Andrea area 15 and

daughter Andrea, aged 15, and their sons. Grant, aged 14, and Newall, aged 10.

Mr Colman Treacy, for the prosecution, said the Harrisons were providing "far from a proper education for their child-

All safety standards met,

By Own Consumer Affairs Middlesbrough ground, where a middle-aged couple died on Saturday when

strengthening terracing and altering seats.

Cleveland Councy Council confirmed that its officers in-tended to recommend to the

appropriate committee when it next met in two or three weeks that a safety certificate should be issued.

All First Division clubs were designated in 1977 under the Safety of Sports Grounds Act.

received their certificate. they grant a certificate, and under what conditions the ground should be permitted to operate while a certificate is

When an inquest opened yesterday on the couple, Mr Norman Roxby and his wife, Irene, of Eaglescliffe, near Stockton, the Chief Constable of Cleveland said that an investigation was being held tigation was being held.

certifying its satisfactory com-pletion is the responsibility of the club's consulting engineers.
Mr Charles Amer, the
Middlesborough chairman, said it had out be usuggested that any wor kwas required in the section of the ground where the accident happened. Middlesbrough's third-round FA Cup reply against Portsmouth was played last night, with the area in which the accident occurred cordoned off.

recommendations in the report. Actor denies killing wife

in custody.

Mrs Moller, aged 45, was found dead at the couple's home

## ren". The county council's view was that the children were receiving only a part-time edu-

The two-man crew of a Beaver military light aircraft

The Army Air Corps was on a training flight from Middle Wallop. A board of inquiry has

#### Dance project for schools

gaming licences for the Lad-broke Club, the Hertford Club and the Park Lane Casino, all in London, is to be heard in the High Court on February 27.

Raiders wearing stocking masks escaped with £15,000 from a post office in Victoria Road, Romford, Essex, yesterday. The postmaster was threatened with an iron bar and tied

# PARLIAMENT, January 14, 1980 Sir Keith Joseph says steel strike will further reduce demand and put even more jobs at risk

The British Steel Corporation was losing money at the rate of £1,800 a year for every worker it employed. Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State (or Industry, said in a statement. This meant that other workers, often lower paid were having to provide from taxes more than £1,800 a year of the average earnings of each worker at BSC. Sir Keith Joseph said: First, let me say a word about our objectives for BSC since I believe that they are common to both sides of the House and common also to both managiment and trade unions. I quote the joint statement of January 1976 agreed between the Belling 1976 agreed 1976 quote the joint statement of January, 1976, agreed between the British Steel Corporation and the TUC steel committee. Both the BSC and the unions concerned believe that the corporation should be transformed into a profitable, highwage, high-productivity industry comparable with its major European competitors.

pean competitors.
Two things are needed for this.
First, capital investment in new rive things are needed for this. First, capital investment in new could be addeduced and, secondive the proper use of that equipment. The equipment has been provided—et a cost of over £2,250m in the last five years. In 1979-30 the taxpayer is finding £700m for strel. In 1980-81 we shall be providing £450m of taxpayers' money to BSC. BSC is entering the 1980s with equipment as modern and as potentially efficient as any steel industry in the western world.

But that efficiency has still to be achieved. I quote again frofm the joint statemen of January, 1976. by BSC and unions "Changes with have to be made now (that was in

by BSC and unions "Changes willi have to be made now (that was in 1976) "to reach European levels of productivity". And the unions acknowledged, in that agreement of almost exactily four years ago, the need for radical changes in manning and in working practices. But during these last four years, the gap between our productivity and that of four European competitors has not narrowed: It has grown wider. We emphasize productivity as did the last Government. They said in their Whi Paper of March 1978 "Government. They said in their Whi Paper of March 1978 "Government will give full, sustained and public support to the BSC in their efforts, including the stepsneeded productivity in Corporation ... such improvement is vital if BSC is to win an assured future as a

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ducer".
That is the policy against which we need to consider the present dispute, to which I now turn. As the House will know, the last round of negotiations between the BSC and the trade unions co-RSC and the trade unions co-ordinating committee, representing all the unions concerned, took plac elast Monday, January 7. The unions claimed a general increase of 8 per cent with no strings. They also claimed a further 5 per cent as an advance payment against the negotiation and implementation of lump sum bonus schemes on a divisional or works basis, and offered a number of national com-

offered a number of national com-BSC have acknowledged that these commitments would be helpful. However, BSC also have regard to the fac that these commitments would be helpful. mitments generally go no further than the commitments made by the unions in the joint statement of January, 1976. So they are nothing new and they do not conserve. rew and they do not represent any real advance on the undertakings given four years ago. Regrettably these undertakings were not fulfilled. Against this background, it is not surprizing that BSC are now looking for per-

formance. What the BSC offered in return was a general increase of 8 per cent based on a national agreement, which would include agree-ment at national level to changes of the kind recognized by both sides in January, 1976, as necessary to achieve improved productivity. So for this clement BSC are agin willing to put their trust in the union leaders to deliver.

BSC offered at least another 4

If BSC were instead to offer money without such conditions then the workers in all other indus-tries would have to go on subsidizing the workers in the steel in-dustry. Andnot only this, Our steel would remain uncompositive and would remain uncompositive and all our user industries, and the workers in them, would be further handicapped. This year the average earnings of a steelworker are £110 a week, over £5,000 a year. The losses in 1979-80 by the BSC represent over £1,800 for each steelworker.

so other workers, often lower paid, are having to provide from the taxes they pay more than r1.800 of the average earnings of each worker in BSC. BSC estimate that their offer will bring the average earnings of a steelworker next year up to at least £124 a week. Is it fair that other workers should be asked to givfthe difshould be asked to givithe dif-ference from their taxes or is it right that the difference should be carped by the stellworker himself, frofm improved productivity?

I well understand and sympa-thize with all those who work in the industry who face the prospect of unprecedented change arising from substantially reduced steel demand. Their difficulties have been heightened by the previous administration's misguided interventions which have aggravate the problems facing the industry today.

problems racing the industry today.

But in the situation we face the future of the industry and, in particular its ability to grant wage increases must be a matter for it management and workforce.

I wave much respect this strike. I i very much regret this strike. I regret it for the harm it is doing and will do to the steelworkers and their industry. Even without the strike they are faced with a painful contraction of the industry in order to bring production capacity more in line with demand and to become competitive. With the strike, that demand will reduce still further. Still more jobs will be at risk and the ability to pay better wages will suffer. I regret the strike too because of the damage it is doing and will do to British industry and to those who work in it. (Conservative cheers and Labour cries of "Re-sign".)

House must decide on facilities for **MEPs** 

Mr Norman St John Stevas, Chan-cellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Leader of the House (Chelms-ford, C) said he was waiting for the views of the Services Committee before doing anything more about providing facilities at West-minster for Euro-MPs.

Mr David Winnick (Walsall, North, Lab) had asked what represem-ations had been received regard. ing the use of facilities at the House by Members of the Euro-pean Assembly. Mr St John Stevas—Representations have been received from the leaders of the two main United Kingdom party groups in the European Parliament. These are being considered by the Serv-

ices Committee. Mr Winnick-There is no justifi-

Mr Winnick—There is no justifi-cation either on constitutional or accommodation grounds for Euro-pean Assembly Members using facilities here. Mr St John Stevas—That is one view that is held by some MPs. There is another view, held equally strongly by other MPs, that facilities of a reasonable and limited nature should be extended to Euro-MPs. I am trying to reach a reasonable compromise which will reflect both points of view. It is not easy.

will reflect both points of view. It is not easy. It is not easy. Sir Anthony Meyer (West Flint, C)—Whether or not we are in favour of British membership of the EEC we are interested in improving relations between the two assemblies. Would it be possible ior one of the overflow galleries to be made available to large May Stone Change Ch

Mr St John Stevas—That is a matter for the Services Committee and the Speaker as well as myself. I agree that it is better for the two Parliaments to grow together rather than apart. Mr Michael Foot, Deputy Leader of the Opposition (Ebbw Vale, Lab)—This is pre-eminently a matter that has to be decided by the House as a whole. Would he give an undertaking that the Government will not seek to press Government will not seek to press ahead with any particular view it may have on the matter until it has the general consent of the House to any proposal it may wish to bring forward?

Mr St John Stevas—The matter is before the Services Committee. I am awaiting some indication of the views of the Services Committee before taking the matter further.

Mr Foot-This concerns MPs of all Mr Foot—This concerns MPs of all parties. It is not a question for the Services Committee to decide. Mr St John Stevas—In the last resort, if this is a matter of controversy that cannot be settled through the Fervices Committee, the usual channels or by other means, ultimately this Chamber must decide.

# Afghanistan shows that non-alignment is no protection against Russian appetites

though this was a matter for sporting authorities and athletes, Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said during questions after he had made a statement on

He said that the Covernment looked forward to considering with Canada the possibility of under-writing any extra cost involved in moving the games to another site. Mr Hurd said in his statement that the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, was an improvoked act of aggression against an independent country, represented a serious threat to world peace and an imprecedented development in the history of post-war Russian

The Soviet Union acted the said), to establish a military hold on a sovereign country, in violation of the international principles which the Soviet Union constantly calls on others to observe. The Soviet Union justified its act by alleging prior foreign intervention. Yet the intervention has been the Soviet invasion.

In our view it is essential that we and our ailles should draw the right conclusion. The Russians have shown, more vividly than ever before, that, when they have the chance of gaining positions of power in developing countries, they are willing to put at risk their relations with the West.

relations with the west.

Non-alignment is no protection against their appeties. We can expect further Sowiet interventions elsewhere unless the international community shows clearly that acts of this kind cannot be undertaken with furthering. With these considerations in mind we are developing our own response.

First, we fully supported the action taken in the United Nations Security Council. The letter to the President of the Council was signed rresident of the Council was signed by 52 states. Now a number of Third World counties are pressing their arguments in the General Assembly using the Uniting for Peace procedure. This rallying of opinion in the Third World is a new and important factor.

Second, in Afghanistan itself, we have recalled our Ambassador in have recalled our Ambassador in Kabul for consultations. We have ended our ald programme in Afghanistan, though Afghan students now in the United Kingdom may complete their courses. We have closed the British Council office in Kabul. We have provided relief aid—tents, blankets and medical supples—to help the Afghan refugees in Pakistan, who now total about 400,000. That aid arrived on Friday.

Thirdly we are considering the

Thirdly, we are considering the necessary firm and calculated response to the Soviet Union. The Government welcome the measures measures, to the importance

reconsidering all aspects of British-Soviet relations. On December 31 the United States presided at a meeting in London attended also by the United Kingdom, Canada, France, the Redon't Passible at France, the Federal Republic of Germany and Italy to discuss what steps might be taken. Discussion has since continued in Brussels among the members of the North

among the members of the North Atlantic Alliance.

The measures which might be undertaken by individual Western countries include curvailment of high-level and ministerial meetings and other important contacts with the Soviet Union. Suitable measures in the economic field are

also being considered. It is highly desirable that measures by Western countries should be concerted, especially in the economic field, where soli-darity with our Community partners will be particularly imporant. These matters will be discussed.

tomorrow at a meeting of ministers of the European Community in Brussels, which the Lord Privy Seal will attend and also at a meeting, also tomorrow, of the North Atlantic Council, which I and Ministers from some other member countries will attend. member countries will attend.

We saw an urgent need to consult and express support for our friends in the area. The Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary is visiting Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Pakistan and India. He is discussing the current situation with their leaders, seeing the problems of the region at first hand, and reassuring our friends and consulting them about the right response. He is due in Islamabad this evening and will be going on to Delih before returning to London later this week.

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In our judgment this is not a time for either panic or weakness. The Soviet Union has launched into an unprecedented foreign adventure. The chances of such an adventure being repeared will be reduced if it is met with a firm and concerted response. The Soviet Union cannot expect relations with Western Europe to continue unaf-Western Europe to continue unaf-fected while it invades and subju-gates independent countries of other continents.

Mr Peter Shore Opposition spokes man on foreign and Common-wealth affairs (Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar, Lab)—We have no hesitation in condemning the Soviet armed attack on Af-ghanistan and reject as totally unconvincing the flimsy justifications so far offered. (Cheers). We support fully the action taken in the Security Council and the United Nations General Assembly to rally opinion in the third world and

Will Britain give special atten-

unnounced by the President of the United States. The United States other major Western countries? Will the Government, in approaching non-Western countries in the ing non-western countries in the Gulf and elsewhere, have in mind the danger of thinking simply in military terms and, in the subcontinent in particular, the crucial importance of India and the need to avoid exacerbating tensions between India and Pakistan?

While we must rear positively

While we must react positively to these events, it would be pre-mature and unwise to abandon our long term goal in arms limitation and detente. Mr Hurd-I agree on the need to

concert economic measures. It is not much use Britain taking uni-lateral action if this simply trans-fers business from British firms to Lord Carrington was going to

India.
Mr Shore is right (he conmr shore is right (he con-tinued) that the military aspect of life and of the danger is not the only one but, by heavens, it is one. We would be remiss if we did not consider this aspect, On arms limitation, there Is

On arms limitation, there is a framework of discussions and negotiations going on. The West has entered into them because it is in her interest to do so. They will be continued. But it would be misleading the House not to say that this whole process has been greatly overshadowed by what has happened in Afghanistan. what has happened in Afghanistan.

Mr Russell Johnston (Inverness, L)—When representations were made to the Soviet Ambassador, what explanation did be give for the intervention, given that it was presumably made at the invitation of President Amin who was thereafter promptly shot?

What action is being taken about

after promptly Shot?
What action is being taken about the alarming number of refugees? Air Hurd—The Prime Minister told the ambassador the explanations given for the Soviet action were absurdly flimsy.

The refugee figure gets bigger and higger.

and higger.

Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab)—Many of us feel the Soviet action is against every principle of the right of nations to self-determination and the principle of socialism and democratic development. But we should not become involved, not just in a cold war, but in a hot war where there will be no victors, only vanquished, and the world.

people of the world.

Mr Hurd—Chances of the Soviet Union being deterred from repeating an adventure like this and, therefore, the chances of peace, depend on everyone, particularly perhaps people like Mr Heffer, being strong in their condemnation of what has occurred. I notice he was at the beginning. I hope he will keep at it.

Mr Patrick Cornack (South West

Mr Patrick Cormack (South West Staffordshire, C)—Does Mr Hurd agree with Vice President Mondale and the Prime Minister of Canada

that it is unthinkable that the Olympic Games should take place in Moscow? Mr Hurd—This is not a marter for governments but for the sporting authorities and the athletes themselves. It is a matter, nevertheless, which we believe should be considered in the context of what has happened. I am sure this is one matter which will come up at our

meeting tomorrow.

Mr James Wellbeloved (Bexley. Erith and Craylord, Lab)—The Moscow games will be seen by the Russian people and the Soviet Government as condoning their naked aggresssion against Afghanistan. When Mr Hurd meets his allies and other interested countries to discuss this matter, will be out a proposal to them of behalf put a proposal to them of behalf of the British Government that the British will play a part in underwriting any additional cost involved to the International Olympic Committee in moving the sames from Moscow to another

games from Moscow to another site? Mr Hurd—He raises an important possibility which, we believe, should be considered. The comshould be considered. The committee has come out against it but the Prime Minister of Canada has said publicly that this is an option which should be considered. Canada will be represented tomorrow and we look forward to considering this aspect with them. Some people are a bit too glib in using the slogan about keeping politics out of sport. They should realize that for the Sovici Union the bolding of the Olympic Games in Moscow is a major political event.

Mr Tam Dalyell (West Lothian. Lab)—What thought has been given by the Government as to why the hitherto rather careful men of the Kremlin have embarked on this adventure? Mr Hurd—Mr Dalyell has touched on one of the most disturbing aspects of the matter. It appears that the rulers in the Soviet Union that the rulers in the Soviet Union came to the conclusion they could, with impunity, move into a country which until not long before had been a neutral sovereign country and that the response of the West would be wholly inadequate. I think we have to prove them wrong, because that is the only safe way to deter them from making the same calculation again. Mrs Jill Knight (Birmingham, Edgbaston, C) said Mr Hurd's remark that it was merely a matter for the athletes and the Olympic board as to where the Olympics board as to where the Olympics were held this year would cause great concern. I ask him to re-consider that (she said) because the matter is of very grave concern to all of us who remember what happened after the Olympics in 1936 and the tremendous fillip that gave to Nazi Germany. Mr Hurd-The Government can advise but they cannot decide in this matter, at least not in the free world. Whether we advise or not is something which will, I imagine, be discussed tomorrow.

# Mr Silkin accuses Government of introducing rigid ultimatum

There is not one word about the

responsibility of this Government for the present position in the industry because of its ultimatum to the BSC to break even by March, 1980.

There is only an attempt, and a bad attempt at that, by the Secretary of State to try to pretend he is following the policy of the Labour Government. It is a totally different policy, one of rigid ultimatum and not working treasure when working together with the industry.

In the light of that what assess-In the light of that what assessment has he made of the effects on
the economy of a prolonged strike?
Is there no point at which the
Government would propose to

intervene to bring the parties together. The whole of this statement is a reiteration of the case made by the BSC. Sir Keith nowhere shows that he is the least bit aware of the views of the unions concerned, that productivity has risen 16 per cent in British Steel since 1975; he is nowhere aware of the influence of foreign subsidized coking coal upon the production of steel and nowhere aware of the fact that this dispute could, unless it is correc-ted, bring the whole of British

industry to a standstill.

In the light of that, how many discussions has he had with Sir Charles Villiers and the unions concerned since January 2? Is be really prepared Simply to wait uphole of the economy and the local communities affected by that economy are brought to their

Sir Keith Joseph—I suspect that his phrase "come in to settle" is really a suggestion that the Government should find more taxpayers' money. It would be more straightforward if he said that. (Conservative cheers). The whole of my statement was an attempt to explain that both the previous Government and this one believed it was not in the interests of the steel industry, its workers or the country to defer workers or the country to defer yet again the pressure upon the industry to raise its productivity and become competitive.

Mr Silkin said the fault was all mine for insisting that the industry should break even this coming financial year and that I was wrong to suggest that that was the previous Government's policy. It was the previous Government's policy but it did not have the will-power to stick to it.

ower to stick to it.

The result of that is that the inde result of that is that the industry is even less competitive than it was, with even more cuts still to be carried out before it can be competitive and earn its own keep and pay its workers anything like what steel workers with higher productivity are earn-ing in France roder. ing in Europe today.

The effects of a long-term strike will be intensely serious for the steel industry, those who work in

it and the country.

I am thoroughly aware of the views of the unions concerned. I very much sympathize with the worries and anxieties of steel workers faced with a contraction which must occur to reflect falling demand for their products and which has been made worse by the deferment of closures during the last Government.

Mr John Sikin, chief Opposition spokesman on industry (Lewisham, Deptford, Lab), questioning Sir Keith on his statement, said: There is not one single word in his statement which shows that the Government is aware that it ought to be coming in to settle the dispute at his moment.

Mr Silkin—How many discussions up to date for the country to look at.

Sir Keith Joseph—It so happens there is published today a progress there is published today a progress charles, and the other on the tilesphone. I have had no direct discussions in the front and steel phone. I have had no direct discussions in the first productivity. The membership includes Mr

Mr David Steel, Leader of the Liberal Party (Roxburgh, Salkirk and Peebles, L)—Surely Sir Keith cannot wash his hands of the consequences of the Government's own economic policy? In the absence of an incomes policy, the BSC was encouraged to believe its 2 per cent offer was sensible and was in line with the Government's restraints on fund-ing in the corporation itself. Since most of our European competitors do give various forms

That is a form of direct intervennon.

Sir Keith Joseph—But the Government is very heavily involved on making available taxpayers' money on a huge scale. It is in the interests of the steel workers and the

industry that they should be com-Without a break-even point, the steel industry will not find it necessary to become competitive and will become permanently pendent on the taxpayers. Other countries behave dif-Other countries behave dif-ferently. Some leave it nearly all to the private sector; some provide subsidies. Successive governments

in this country have provided more financing help to the steel industry than any other western country.

The growth of productivity shown by the NEDC iron and steel report published today is only from 1977 to 1978. It shows that four out of five European rivals have increased their productivity in steel much more than we have. Mr Patrick McNair-Wilson (New Forest, C)—This is an illeonceived and futile strike which cannot succeed. There will be no victors at the end of this dispute, except our

foreign competitors.

It is tronic to find that the only part of the steel industry today making profits and able to pay decent wages is that part still remaining in private hands. (Conservative cheers and Labour pro-

Sir Keith Joseph—I agree with every word of that. It is tragic that this strike is going to affect the very people who are involved in it. very people who are involved in it, above all the steel workers them-

Mr Donald Coleman (Neath. Lab)—Sir Keith's statement con-firms the complacency with which he and the Government have viewed this dispute which is having such a serious effect upon British industry.

He should now intervene in this strike to bring it to an end. Sirike to oring it to an eart.

Sir Keith Joseph—It is not necessarily kind to the steel workers to ask for more money from the taxpayers on top of all they have had and are having. The kindest thing is to persuade them that it is in their own interests to increase productivity and become competitive. ductivity and become competitive. Mr Frank Hooley (Sheffield Ree-ley, Lab)—All kinds of vague and contradictory figures about pro-ductivity, and comparisons with other countries are being bandled show he both sides Ir would be about by both sides. It would be sensible to follow up the suggestions that a special inquiry be insti-

sur acid juseph—it so happens there is published today a progress report from the irou and steel sector working party which in-cides information about producti-vity. The membership includes Mr Sirs and at least two other trade union leaders union leaders. Sir Keith Joseph, answering further questions, said that behind the

present condition of the industry lay an over-estimate 10 years ago of the demand for steel. There was (he continued) an over-estimate made honourably by the then Conservative Government and outbid by the then Labour Opposition, with whom the trade unions at the time agreed. We were not the only country that over-estimated demand for steel

over-estimated demand for steel has been reduced by the economic stagnation of this country over the last four or five years and by the decline of our motor industry.

These have all made the studies and the stage of the stage tion worse, but the situation will be made worse still if, with the policy of the Opposition, we deferred putting the matter right. Mr Patrick Cormack (South-West Staffordshire, C)—Would he ask Sir Charles Villiers, who is handling the matter with the finesse of an elephant; whether he would emulate the example of Sir Michael Edwardes and ask the employees of the BSC what they think? Sir Keith Joseph—I am not in charge of the management of the corporation. All such considerations are for Sir Charles Villiers and his board and for the union leaders and mion members.

Mr Eric Varley, Opposition spokesman on employment (Chesterfield, Lab)—Sir Keith Joseph says he is following the policy laid down by the last Government in the White Paper in March, 1978. He must stop perpetrating that falsehood. He knows it is not true. stop perpetrating that faisehood. He knows it is not true.

There is a world of difference between granting the BSC sustained and public support to overcome their undoubted difficulties and the rigid, inflexible and doctrinaire target he has set the BSC which he knows they have no chance of meeting.

chance of meeting.

Eventually he will have to intervene to change that target. Before he does that, how much of British industry is he prepared to see wrecked and now many thousands of jobs is he prepared to see desof jobs is he prepared to see des-troyed before sensible intervention is brought to bear so that an honourable settlement can be

Sir Keith Joseph—He is secking to our Menth Joseph—He is seeking to create an albit for his failure in office. (Conservative cheers.) It was the select committee of this House that time and again pointed

Mr Variey-Rejected by this Sir Keith Joseph . . . which found that time and again the previous Government's deferment of necessary policies made the problems and the penalties for workers of defering dealing with these

problems worse. Sir Keith Joseph, answering fur-ther questions, said—The steel corporation is bankrupt. If it were not nationalized it would be bankrupt. Surely it is wrong to suggest that there is any more money available except that it be either earned by the steel workers or provided in addition, to that already provided in addition, to that already provided in the steel workers or provided in addition, to that already provided in addition, to that already provided in the steel workers or provided in the steel workers.

Bill will remove 'unreasonable restraints' on Scottish tenants Despite the expenditure of much posals, sales to tenants who had

money, energy and concern on housing in Scotland, the wrong houses had been built in the wrong places, Mr George Younger, Sccretary of State for Scotland (Ayr, C), said in moring the second reading of the Tenaus' Rights, etc (Scotland) Bill. As a result there are unbeloned and well. there was an unbalanced and un-satisfactory housing system.

The Bill introduced what amounted to a tenants' charter changes in the development of public sector bousing. Tenants throughout Scotland would have equal opportunity to enjoy their homes free from unreasonable

restraints. In order to encourage landlords to make and keep available accommodation for letting to private tenants, the Government would introduce a new type of tenure—a short tenancy—under which a landlord could in future let accommodation with the certainty of neing able to recover possession on a predetermined

The proposals did not affect the rights existing tenants had under the Rent Arts. The private sector still had a vital role in catering for the young and the mobile who normally regarded it as a temporary expedient. Government would take powers in the Bill to complete the process it began in 1972 to convert all remaining controlled tenancies to rent regulation, a process halred by Labour in 1975. The Bill contained several provisions aimed at helping those seeking council housing, and as a foundation the Government was imposing a statutory obligation on all local authorities to publish all local authorities to publish their rules on allocations, transfers and exchanges so that those seeking a house or wishing to move from one house to another could see clearly where they stood and what their chances were.

The Government had decided that although the allocation of houses was generally a matter for local authorities themselves to control it was necessary to take to control it was necessary to take action against those features of allocation policies which acted as

Eligibility for the whole range of improvement and repair grants would be extended to most tenants in both sectors.

The Bill would facilitate access to home ownership by giving local authorities the power to indemnify building societies and other lenders against loss.

There was no way in which the extreme shortage of homes to buy extreme shortage of homes to buy in many parts of Scotland would be put right quickly enough by building new ones, even if there was a need for many new homes, which in general there was not.

The only way to create a large pool of homes to buy, at prices ordinary families could afford, was to encourage public sector tenants who wished in do so to buy their

spent at least three years in pub-lic sector housing would take place at discounts of between 33 per at discounts of between 33 per cent and 50 per cent according to length of tenancy.

A good proportion of tenants would finance their sales wholly or partly from private sources. The involvement of building societies in the provision of finance had been encouraging, and the right to a horizon work.

right to a housing authority mortgage would only be available to those people genuinely mable to obtain building society funds.

Since the Conservatives had been in power there had been in power there had been up to 30,000 inquiries about purchase from tenants to authorities.

There was overwhelming evidence that meet Scott desired to dence that most Scots desired to own their own homes. The only people who had come out clearly

and consistently against the expressed wishes of the majority of Scottish people were in the Labour Party in Scotland. Mr Bruce Millan, Opposition spokesman on Scotland (Glasgow, Craigton, Lab) said they were utterly opposed to the proposals in the Bill on council house sales

which they would resist to the

prospects for public and private housing in the next year in particular were the worst since the end of the war. the end of the war.

It was hypocrisy for Mr Younger to talk in terms of encouraging home ownership when young couples trying to buy their first home at present were faced with a mortgage of 15 per cent.

The irony of the situation (he said) is that the real friends of the owner-occupiers in this country have been successive Labour governments which introduced the option mortgage scheme duced the option mortgage scheme and assistance to first-time buyers. The emphasis should be on modernization and improvement, but there was nevertheless a need for a significant number of new houses to be held in the local arthropicies.

to be built by local authorities in Scotland for the elderly and others wild social needs and to provide for the particular problems in inner city areas. in the courolled tenancy. There would be people, most of them paying small rents at the moment, who would face considerable rent interests.

He was in general agreement with the tenants' charter, but there was a gap. There was no obliga-tion for the local authorides to consult, as there was in the English Bill.

The provision for security of tenure was basically right, except for the provision about under-occupation, which should not be a strong for the provision about the provision about the provision about the provision about the provision of the provision

ground for the recovery of a His objections to council house sales were that they were unfair to local authorities, unfair to tensuis and to prospective tensuis.

There was no inalienable right for a council house tensui to buy. who wished to do so to buy their own homes, instead of paying rent

cil house at a frozen price for two

loans arrangement whereby some-one turned down by a building society for a loan could go tot a local authority which would be under obligation to give a loan to sell a house it did not want to sell.

In practice only the best council houses in the best areas would be sold to tenants
Local government would be left with all the problem are from improving the balance of local authority housing stock it could considerably increase the

Mr Russen Johnston (Invertees, L) said the sale of council houses should not harm the chances of people of putting a roof over their head if they could not afford to buy. Secondly, sales should deplete the good and bad areas of council housing stock at a roughly equivalent rate.

lent rate.

Mr Michael Ancram (Edinburgh, South, C) said the Bill set out to end the paternalism of big brother where housing had been regarded as a political weapon to control people and their lives through their homes so as to achieve a political allegiance which owed more to fear and dependence than to reason.

to reason.

Mr Michael Martin (Glasgow, Springburn, Lab) said his constituency contained the highest multi-storey blocks in Europe and to give the tenants of those blocks the right to buy was irresponsible. A tenant who bought would have hefty and martinearing hills. repair and maintenance bills. Mr Gordon Wilson (Dundee, East, Scot Nat) said his party was disappointed that nothing had been done to improve the housing stock, and it condenmed the Gov-

ernment for taking power away from directly elected local authori-Mr Iain Sproat (Aberdeen, South, C) said the Bill would increase freedom of choice, roll back buteaucracy, redistribute wealth in Scotland on a massive scale, and enable council estate managements to conceptrate on those people to concentrate on those people who needed help.

Mr Donald Dewar (Glasgow, Gars-cadden, Lab) said only the best houses in the most desirable areas would be purchased by tenants. But for tenants living in the less popular areas there would be bit-terness and frustration. Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Under Secre-tary, Scottish Offic e(Edinburgh, Pentlands, C) said the Bill. together with that for England and Wales, would make the single greatest contribution to the ecreation of a property owning democ-racy which had been seen any time his century. For many years (he said) Labour

have talked about tenants' rights. Now the ory Party is providing those rights and doing so in the teeth of opposition from the teeth of opposition from the He said the proposal which would allow a person, for £100, to by 313 votes to 252—Government

to offset higher prices There was an overwhelming case for an energy rebate scheme, Dr David Owen, chief Opposition concentrate help where it is needed. for an energy rebate scheme, Dr

Call for fuel rebate scheme

David Owen, chief Opposition snokesman on energy, said during questions to the Secretary of State for Energy on gas prices.

Mr David Winnick (Walsall North, Lab) had asked Mr Howell if he would make a further statement on the likely level of gas prices. Air Howell said he would be mak-ing a statement in the near future on financial targets for the gas and

electricity industries and this would have implications for pricing policy.

Mr Winnick—Is it not clear that the proposed increases in gas prices will cause a tremendous amount of hardship to a large number of pensioners and others on low incomes. There are many elderly people and others, poor people in our community, who cannot afford to use fuel at its present orice and if the Government is to nrice and if the Government is to go ahead with this increase it has an obligation to bring in a proper scheme to help people in need.

Mr Howell—We have made it re-peatedly clear that after a year in which crude oil prices worldwide have risen by 100 per cent,

Dr David Owen (Plymouth, Devon-port, Lab)—With the hundreds of milions of pounds profitability which will come to British Gas, some should go back to all the energy industries for their invest-There is no way we can continue

to have domestic gas prices subject to Opec decision without some generous system of helping those

generous system or neighbor most people most at risk with the very high energy cost.

Fuel is one of the largest elc-ments in the household budget. We have rent and rate rebate schemes. There is surely an overwhelming case for an energy rebate scheme. Mr Howeli-The Consumer Council rightly thought this should be a matter of social and not energy policy, and I recognize this point. Our social policy will be deve-loped to take account of the hard-ship because of the high cost of energy. The Price Commission six monits ago said that domestic gas was under-priced by 30 to 35 per cent. It is still some of the chea-nest domestic age in continental

pest domestic gas in continental Europe.

# Read the most controversial article of the moment

The January issue of History Today contains a fascinating and controversial article by Dr Jacob Boas, entitled 'A Nazi Travels to Palestine, which examines the reasons for and effect of, Nazi support for the Zionist cause during the early thirties.

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# Parliamentary

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House of Commons Today at 2.30: Housing Bill, second Tosay ... reading. Petroleus ---maining stages.

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European Parliament Strasbourg

The EEC Commission had not yet The EEC Commission had not yet been informed of the details of steel plant closures in the United Kingdom, Mr Henk Vredeling. Vice-President of the Commission with responsiyilities for employment and social affairs, said at question time. In reply to questions he complained that the Commission had had to rely on information in British newspapers about mation in British newspapers about the industrial situation in the British steel industry. Newspapers had been their main source of informa-

Miss Beta Brookes (North Wales. Ed) drew attention to the decision of the British Steel Corporation announced in November last to

close a section of the Shotton steelworks putting 6,500 steel-workers out of work. She called on the Commission to take steps to mitigate the disastrous effects of this closure, in particular by mak-ing ald available for retraining and the future development of Decside. Mr Vredeling said that at the end of last year the EEC commission made £7,700,000 available at the request of the British Government following the announced closures.

The money was to be used to help those made redundant and in retraining and in home removal These measures were decided as a result of consultations between the British Government and the Commission The European social fund could support measures to

closures. Since Shotton was in an area where the EEC regional develop-ment fund could help, the social fund could also be extended to help workers outside the steel in-

dustry threatened with consequen-

For 1980 the commission, he said, had received an application for £4m aid covering certain BSC plants including Shotton. Mr Winston Griffiths (South Wales, Soc) asked if the Commis-sion had been approached by the British Government for aid for the

BSC to amend its plans for the massacre of the steel industry, par-ticularly in areas like South Wales

Mr Vredeling said the Commission's proposals of last November concerned the restructuring of the industry but they would have to be reexamined in view of the budgetary problems facing the Com-

a clear picture of how much they needed Community funds, not just in Britain but in other EEC states. The Commission was particularly concerned at the reported figure of 250,000 workers threatened with redundancy throughout the Com-munity. No direct proposals had been received from Britain. The situation there was difficult with a

considerably improved. Mr Vredeling replied that the changes taking place in the United Kingdom steel industry were a painful process towards a realistic

"I find bizarre".

Mr Kenneth Collins (Strathclyde, East, Soc) said the problems of the United Kingdom steel industry had been exacerbated by lunatic esperiments in monetarist theories. If realistic steel production targets were established in EEC memeber states, the future and security of thousands of steel works would be the situation in Britain provided

production capacity. He would not like to create the illusion that by increasing production capacity they could solve the unemployment problem. Quite the contrary, it general strike over salary increases would exacerbate it.

## addition, to that already providing, by and which they are providing, by the long suffering taxpayers of this lives. Under the Government's pro would allow a person, for £100, to maintain an option to buy a countuted so the facts can be brought £4m sought from EEC to assist British steel industry assist other persons affected by the out of work within a year some 30 and not over redundancies which

# **Chartered surveyors** offer free advice to citizens' bureaux

By Robin Young Consumer Affairs Correspondent

Several hundred qualified surveyors have offered to help to deal with questions concerning building work, repairs and alterations, rent appeals, land-lord and tenant disputes, rates, compulsory purchase and compensation.

Local advice bureaux will be able to refer house owners and tenants to the service for free advice when they feel it would

oe appropriate.

The free service will not extend to finding accommodation, carrying out structural surveys for potential house buyers or preparing valuations for those buying or selling house.

About 200 carrying accommodation attempt to stop the roof from leaking.

The bill for the work in that case was £65 and it would not have been economic to call in the case was £65 and it

About 200 of the 900 Citizens' Advice Bureaux already have formal contacts with the scheme, but the institution says that it should be possible to find a surveyor to give free advice herever one is needed.

Mr Alan Gillett, chairman of arrangements we the steering group which estab-

was intended principally to help those who ordinarily could not Chartered surveyors are to offer their professional advice afford to consult a surveyor. Free through Cirizens' Advice Bureaux. The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors yester day announced a national voluntary service based on local schemes that some of its members have run for some years.

Several hundred qualified did not realize that she had any years because a previous land-lord had cut it off and she did not realize that she had any

right to have it reconnected. In Barnet a surveyor making a free visit to inspect a faulty kitchen floor noticed that the builder had made a new kitchen window without any supporting

In Brighton the service belped an elderly householder to obtain a small claims court judgment against a builder who

a surveyor on a fee-paying basis, even if the householder had been able to afford it, because the fee would probably have

The National Association of Citizens' Advice Bureaux already has voluntary service arrangements with solicitors

# Three killed 'because jet pilot ejected too late'

Three people died when an The rear pilot realized he RAF jet crashed into their was on a likely collision course. homes because the pilot stayed He called by radio for the other at his controls a few seconds

An inquest heard yesterday how the pilot fought to keep his Harrier vertical take-off jet level after it had collided 8,000ft up with another Harrier during "dog-fight" training.

The few seconds meant that the aircraft arrived over Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, plunging into Ramneth Road.

The jury returned verdicts of accidental death on Mr William Trumpess, aged 73, former mayor of Wisbech, his neighnayor of Wisbett, his heighbour, Mr Robert Bowers, aged 40, and Mr Bowers's son Jonathan, aged two. Their homes were destroyed.

Air Commodore Kenneth Hayr, until recently Inspector of Flight Safety for the RAF, said the two Harriers took off from RAF Wittering on September 21. One being chased by the other, reversed its jets in order to slow down and force the other aircraft to over-

pilot to brake-down, an emer-gency manoeuvre to make his

aircraft go downwards.

The wings made contact and one wing tip was lost. "The front aircraft started gyrating and pointed earthwards. The pilot decided he could not control it, and ejected at 8,000ft."

The aircraft crashed into open fields and only the pilot was hurt, receiving spinal injuries, from which he has

Air Commodore Hayr said the other pilot was able only to hold his aircraft level. It became uncontrollable. At 5,000ft the pilot ejected. The aircraft were two miles

from Wisbech when they collided. "If the pilot had ejected immediately, his plane would have landed in open ground."

The RAF had decided there

was no case for a court mar-tial. Disciplinary measures were available to the pilot's commanding officer.

# Armed post office raiders run into police ambush

A man was shot and injured in the Lowesmoor Social by police during a raid on the main Post Office sorting office at Worcester.

There was a struggle between men and police inside the building and a shot was fired ty a police marksman.

Later a man with a shoulder injury was taken to Worcester Royal Infirmary for an Reyal Infirmary for an eparation. Last night he was said to be recovering.

Police said that the fight

inside the building on Sunday evening lasted only a few minutes. Several men, including police and post office workers. received cuts and bruises. Det 1 rspector Roger Morris, aged 26, had two fingers broken. Worce Mr Michael Noke, who was week.

Club nearby, said yesterday: "Armed policemen with dogs and searchlights were checking everyone who came out and sear hing the rooftops with lights." Mr Michael Stevens, licensee

of the Bridge Inn, Lowesmoor, said: "The place was swarming with police with guns. I was told to keep all my doors locked and to stay away from windows." windows." Postal deliveries in Worcester

were disturbed and were not expected to be back to normal until tomorrow.

Five men, said to be from the north of England, are expected to appear before Worcester magistrates this

#### Driving ban for Everton footballer

Michael Lyons, the Everton footballer, was fined 575 and banned from driving for 12 months by magistrates at Crosby, Merseyside, yesterday. He admitted driving with excess Peyenoord, the Dutch side, last

# Five MPs missing from register of interests

By George Clark Political Correspondent

Four MPs have joined Mr Enoch Powell, Official Ulster Unionist MP for Down, South, in not submitting a return to the House of Commons register of MPs' interests.

That was reported to the Commons yesterday by the Select Committee on Members' Interests, but they did not name

An inspection of the new register, available for viewing by the public between 11 am and 5 pm at the Commons, showed that the MPs who have not declared are: Mr Powell; Mr Kenneth Lewis, Conservative, Rutland and Stamford; Sir John Langford-Holt; Conservative, Shrewsbury, and chairman of the new Commons Select Committee on Defence; the Rev Ian Paisley, Democratic Unionist, Antrim, North; and Mr Alexander Lyon, Labour,

The absence of five declara-tions must raise the question whether the register can be published again.

Mr Johnson-Smith, chairman of the select committee com-

of the select committee, com-mented: "I think the House ought to consider this matter afresh and decide if it wants the register to be voluntary or, if not, what steps it intends to take to enforce its resolution setting up the register.

Sir John Langford-Holt said his interests were less now than when he declared them in the last Parliament, and he was

Mr Alex Lyon said: "I believe MPs are entitled to their privacy".

willing to let anyone see the declaration he would have put

# British player is joint winner in Hastings chess From Harry Golombek Chess Correspondent Hastings

Hastings
There was a tie for first place
in the ICL Grandmaster chess
tournament at Hastings between
the Swedish grandmaster, Ulf
Andersson, and the British grandmaster, John Nunn, with 10 points
each.

master, John Numi, with 10 points each.

Nunn had an early draw with Mestel in the fifteenth and last round yesterday, so Andersson had to beat Zilber in that round to catch him. That he duly achieved, but it took him eight and a half hours to do so.

Makarychev and Short had a quick draw, leaving the Soviet grandmaster in third place with nine points. The fourth, fifth and sixth prizes were shared by Georgadze (USSR), Lein (US) and Speelman (UK), with 81 points each. Speelman had to play hard to defeat the British champion, Bellin.

Bellin.

The remaining scores were:
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Short (UK) and Steam (UK) 8: Selrat,
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7: Bivisar (US) 6'-. Mestel (UK)
and Zilbor (strael) 5; Bellin (UK) 2's,
Rosults of round 15: Short 's,
Makarychev 's, Petroy's def, 12
moves: Bellin 0, Speelman 1. Caro
Kann def, 45; Andersson 1, Zilber 0,
Engilsh op, 77; Stean 's, Selrawan 's,

# MP promises motion urging

Kely inquiry

Members of the "Jimmy Kelly Action Committee", led by Mr Thomas Banks, met Labour MPs at the Commons yesterday to press their demand for an independent public inquiry into the death while in police custody in Liverpool last year of Mr James Kelly, aged 53, a labourer, of Sleaford Road,

53, a labourer, of Sleaford Road, Huyton.
Afterwards Mr Eric Heffer, Labour MP for Liverpool, Walton, said that a Commons motion would be tabled asking for an inquiry. MPs were given copies of a report by Dr John M. Torry, a pathologist, of Wigan, on the post-mortem examination he carried out on Mr Kelly on June 28, 1978.

## WEST EUROPE

# Gratuitous insults from M Marchais help his former allies to stick together

# French Socialists draft programme for the eighties

The French Socialists are certainly not lacking in assur-ance or ambition. At a " national convention" (something just short of a congress in the hierarchy of Socialist gather-ings) this weekend at Alfort-"Socialist project", which claims to lay down the party line for the next 10 years.

In it is the "Socialism of the 80s", in the words of M Jean-Pierre Chevenement, the leader of the left-wing Ceres ganger group in the party, who drafted the original of the subsequently much amended and rewritten 100-page document.

Afghanistan was not on the agenda as such, but the com-plete endorsement by M Georges Marchais, the Communist leader, of the Soviet line on intervention, in an interview on

shocked millions of Frenchmen by its brutal cynicism. His gratuitous insults against the French Socialists were a kind of epitaph of the Union of the Left

The followers of all the Socialist Party's different trends were unanimous in condemning both the Soviet attitude and the French Communists' subservi-

ence to it.
It makes the task of M François Mitterrand, the Socialist leader, that much more diffi-cult in trying to stick to the Union of the Left—not with the Communist leaders, but against them, and with the support, he hopes, of the Communist rank and file, until the leaders are forced by pressure from below to mend their ways.

It strengthens the position of the minority in the Socialist

the minority in the Socialist Party, which has been insisting for some time on a more auto-nomous Socialist line. But M French television broadcast Mitterrand refused to counten-from Moscow on Friday, ance this minority's demand for

updating this "Socialist project" to bring it more in tune with these bitter realities.

The document bears the mark of all the different trends and "sensitivities" of opinion—divisions, an outsider would say traditional to the French Socialist movement.

These were exacerbated in the past two years by sharp differences on the economic crisis and its solution; on continued support for a Union of the Left, which the Communists do not want, and are doing their best to wreck; and on international affairs, especially East-West relations, which the Soviet intervention in Afghanisman has brutally projected to the forefront of Socialist preoccupations.

Additional to these differences of policy or ideology are the personal rivalries within the party, in the light of the coming presidential election campaign in 1981.

Unlike the last three presi-

dential campaigns, when M Mitterrand was the unchallenged candidate of his party, there is another contender for the candidacy this time, M Michel Rocard, the deputy of Conflans, near Paris. He was excluded from the party executive at the Metz congress last April, together with M Pierre Mauroy, the deputy and Mayor of Lille, and leader of one of the party's most powerful federations.

and leader of one of the party's most powerful federations.

The secret hope of M Mitterrand and his supporters of the party majority was that the national convention, and the discussion of several aspects of policy on which M Rocard is policy on discases would force. known to disagree, would force him to abandon the prudent silence which has served his image so well in recent months, as proved by opinion polls, and compel him to take a stand openly, on several controver-sial issues on which he is known to disagree both with M Mitter-rand, and with the Socialist project.

ialist candidate for the presidential election was not on the agenda of the convention, but it was at the back of every-body's mind. M Rocard, how ever, took care not to be driven into a corner. He endorsed the project as it was finally approved by the party executive last October, however great his reservations.

reservations.

He is conscious of the necessity, if he is to have any chance of obtaining his party's nomination, of gaining the support of the Socialist militant and of not appearing to be the wrecker of party unity, even if he is already regarded outside the party as its most promising candidate.

Hence the insistence of his

Hence the insistence of his opponents in the party on the necessity to "speak truthfully" and "vote truthfully" at the convention. They maintained at Alfortville that one could no be opposed to the Socialist pro-

## **EEC** takes France to court again over lamb

From Michael Hornshy
Brussels, Jan 14
France is being taken to the
European Court of Justice for
the second time in four months
in an attempt to persuade it to in an attempt to persuade it to remove its controls on the im-port of British lamb, European Commission sources said here

roday.

The decision was taken after the failure of Mr Finn Gundelach, the EEC Commissioner for Agriculture, in Paris last Friday to get the French to modify their restrictions in such a way as to make them reconcilable

Although the French technically reopened their market to British lamb last week, they imposed simultaneously a prohibitive import levy which the Commission records a commission of the Commission records and the Commission records a commission record mission regards as no less illegal than the import ban it replaced. At this stage, it appears, the Commission is more concerned with establishing the illegality of the French controls, and the fact that they have caused damage to other age to other countries, rather than with putting in a specific claim for compensation on Britain's behalf.

Britain's behalf.

In a meeting with Mr Gundelach in London last week Mr Peter Walker, the British Agriculture Minister, claimed £20m in damages. This was made up of nearly £9m paid out by the Treasury to support British sheep farmers' prices, which would have been higher if exports to France had been allowed, and a further £11m allowed, and a further film paid by British farmers and traders in French import

Although Mr Gundelach accepts that there is no reason in principle why one member state should not seek damages against another because of violation of the EEC's free trade rules, he apparently con-siders that the principle of damage will need to be estab-lished first. The French argue that their

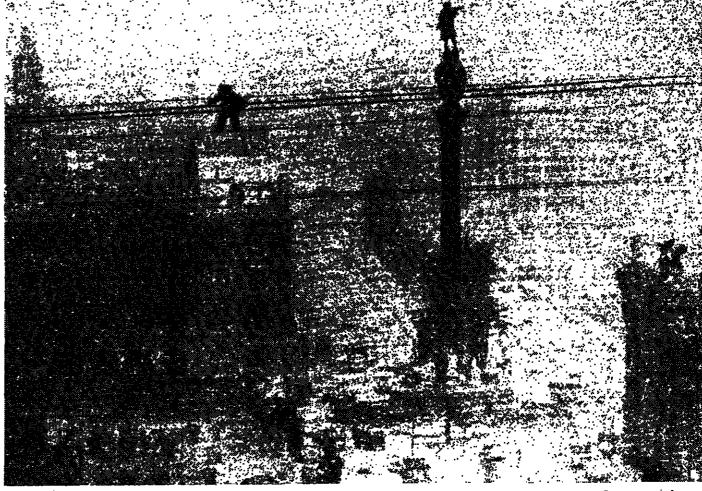
relatively high-cost lamb pro-ducers cannot be exposed to unfettered competition from more efficient sheep farmers in Britain unless there is a common organization of the lamb market offering some measure of EEC-financed price support.

Mr Walker has strongly opposed any system of this kind which he contends would lead to storage of unwanted lamb at the EEC taxpayer's expense along the lines of the notorious butter and milk "mountains".

Court referral: Mr Walker was

Court referral: Mr Walker was told by Mr Gundelach's office today that the papers relating to the French import ban on British sheep has now been referred to the European Court.

The Commission has also confirmed that it is preparing a case for the court on the levies now being imposed on imports they had solved the problem of of British lamb into France. they had solved the problem of the Communists: they had



Ramón Pajares, a 35-year-old lorry driver and father of five, whose wife is in hospital, perched on cable-car wires in Barce- hours. Senor Pajares, his hands caves—and had long yesterday to protest against his greased against the cold, said after- mitting suicide."

unemployment. He meant to stay for three days, but was persuaded by police to descend after almost 11

my family's situation. I am a born sportsman-I do karate and explore caves-and had no thought of com-

# Big parties pour scorn on Greens

political parties today.

With evident relish the press offices of the two big parties seized upon the Greens' failure to exclude Communists completely from their ranks, and upon the fact that they had argued so long that they had no time to work out a programme or even elect leaders. They were branded as chaotic, divided and lacking in credibility—epithets the big parties know will repel order-

loving German voters.
Only the small Free Democratic Party, which stands to lose most from the Greens, preferred not to honour them with its attention. A spokesman said the criticism and doubts in the press spoke for themselves. The reception showed up painfully the inexperience and naivety of the Greens compared with the professionals. Most of the 1,004 delegates had left Karlsrube fondly believing they had solved the restlement.

From Patricia Clough
Karlstuhe, Jan 14
The new-born ecological
Green Party was greeted with
withering scorn by the three
established West German

approved a statute forbidding they appear unlikely to consimultaneous membership of vince many voters.

Although the Greens plan to take positions on foreign, to understand a compromise economic and other non-clause allowing four Land ecological policies they really branches to keep the Combranches to keep the Com-munists for an unspecified "transition" period." Nor did the lack of a programme or leaders worry them

—that will be worked out at a second congress to be held by the end of March. They forgot that now they have to consider their public image. In fact since they have become a proper party the Greens look much less of a threat to the ruling Social Democrat-Free Democrat coalition in next autumn's election than they did

last week. While they were an informal conglomeration of ecology and civic action groups they were able to influence political parties. Now that they are a party themselves they will be fought hard as an opponent and at present this is only too easy.

The spontaneity and flexi-bility which had been part of their attraction will be difficult to combine with the tixed party

platform-opposition to nuclear energy and concern about the environment. And widespread resistance to nuclear power in West Germany is dwindling as

the energy crisis worsens.

The Soviet invasion of Afghanistan has shown already how rapidly an issue can be blotted out in the voters' minds by a more immediate one. These two issues of environment and nuclear energy, how-

ever, are the only bond for many widely differing groups, right-wing romantics, left-wing liberals, assorted protest move-ments and the controversial pro-Maoist Communists and their sympathizers.

The supposed compromise at the weekend, however, appears unlikely to have settled for long the problem of the Communists, whom the moderates suspect of exploiting the Greens for their own polithe Greens for their own poli-tical ends. If the four Land structure required by electoral branches do not exclude them law. Unless they can learn to before long, other branches function reasonably efficiently, may want to break away.

be discussing future food trade policy towards the Soviet Union tomorrow in the light of the Soviet intervention in Afghani-

Union should not be interrup-

# Pope chides

The Pope today addressed the placid ranks of the assembled diplomatic corps as well as the rebellious Dutch bishops summoned here to settle their differences, and it would have taken a much more pliant hand than he is at present showing to cover both assemblies with the same detachment.

He reiterated to the diplomats the fundamental requirements for a peaceful conduct of international affairs. He mentioned respect for the inde-pendence of each country, the right of peoples to conduct their own destinies, according to their patriotic and religious sentiments.

He referred specifically to the dangers arising from events in Iran and Afghanistan, pointout the impossibility of isolat-ing these problems from the broader context to which they are tied.

If the case of the Dutch If the case of the Dutch bishops were purely political instead of ecclesiastical, it would lie somewhere between the two: Dutch Catholics have tried to go their own way, yet any Catholic must know that highly publicized experiment can well be taken as an example outside the paragram of the context of outside the narrow context of The Netherlands.

He delivered his homily to the Dutch bishops at a special

Mass to mark the opening of the special Synod of the Dutch Church.
His talk was rich in Biblical

quotation, beginning gently enough with the psalm The Lord is my Shepherd and then more dauntingly, continuing with Isaizh's references to the servant of the Lord, "He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause His voice to be heard in the street."

The Pope can be said to have put his case at this early stage with a good deal of tact. The synod is due to last until the end of next week.

# stan and the retaliatory action announced by President Carter. The Nine have already given unofficial assurances that they The pre-fixing of export sub-sidies for butter oil has also been suspended after the dis-covery that subsidies had been unofficial assurances that they will not step into the gap left in Soviet supplies by the American embargo on the sale of 17 million tonnes of grain. But the majority view in the Community seems to be that normal supplies of grain and other foodstuffs to the Soviet Union should not be interven-

Euro MPs fight for travel expenses From David Wood

From David Wood
Strasbourg, Jan 14
Sixty Conservative MPs, belonging to the European Democratic Group in the European
Parhament, travelled to Strasbourg today in a bitter-sweet mood.
They have appointed a highly qualified accountancy firm to challenge the Treasury-Inland Revenue adverse ruling on their constituency travelling exlin, Mayor of Strasbourg, and

Westminster - level—about a third of West German MEPs' salaries—or that they should be depied reasonable Westminster facilities. They do complain constituency travelling expenses, a subject on which feelings are running high. But at
least, thanks to M Pierre Pflimmembers, MEPs will not be Air France, they now have a for constituency travel in condition that incorporate row with champagne and a seven or eight Westminster splendid Alsatian luncheon.

The question will be raised in party group meetings this week in Strasbourg. The attitude of Treasury and Inland Revenue towards MEPs' constimembers with constituencies of a half million voters are seriously out of pocket and one or two already say that they are prepared to resign rather than beggar themselves and their families.

# Scottish Chamber Orchestra leaves the pit

A steam train punching smoke into the Highland air as Mozart counterpoints the rattle of railway wheels will help to mark this summer the emergence from the pit of the Scottish Chamber Orchestra. Six years ago the orchestra was formed to accompany Scottish Opera and to estab-

lish itself as a chamber group. Although uncertainty looms over actistic enterprise in Scotland, the orchestra has departed the pit at the Theatre Royal, Glasgow, and embarked on a full-time programme of chamber concerts in Britain, Europe and America. Last year's season performing as pit orchestra and cham-

ber group was exhausting for the 37 musicians. Working days of nine hours were not unusual and administering a concert programme and the operatic commitments became ever more difficult. With Conservative election assurances of more money for

the arts to encourage them, the orchestra decided it was time orchestra decided it was time to break away.

Mr Michael Storrs, general manager, said: "We never made any secret of our ambition. Musically it was a very difficult marriage and with the high standards demanded internationally from chamber orchestras we could not expect to attract the highest standard

of player when there was such a heavy opera load."

Regional report

**Ronald Faux** Edinburgh

of subscription concerts. Two months will be taken up on international tours and this year the SCO will be resident orchestra at the Aix-en-Provence festival for the second

An American tour will include appearances in New York and Boston, and concerts in England will be held at the Queen Elizabeth and the Festival Halls. in London, with James Galway as soloist, and at the Free Trade Hall, Manchester.

The SCO's tour of the Western Isles last summer was immensely successful, with concerts held in Iona cathedral and a variety of country halls. The publicity from that tour greatly benefited the musicians and eased the stress of a hectic

This summer the group will once again take live orchestral music to lonely northern Scotland. Its base will be Inverness, where concerts are to be given with James Galway and Paul Tortelier, the French cellist.

be given on the train as it steams to Plockton.
"There will be a certain amount of promenading and we are calculating how the grand piano will stand up to it. It will be music among the world's finest mountain scenery", Mr Storre said. Storrs said.

At Inverness the orchestra plans to perform Handel's Music for the Royal Fireworks to the accompaniment of real fireworks. It promises to be a good Summer.

The SCO's operating budget this year will be more than £500,000 and box office takings have been greatly helped by the opening of the Queen's Hall, Edinburgh, which has proved highly successful. Industrial sponsorship has come from a variety of companies and offers a promising area for growth as companies enhance their public face by providing money for

Even so, the orchestra relies heavily on the government, through the Scottish Arts Counfor its main income and is in the unreal position of plan-ning the 1983 season without knowing exactly what resources will be available for 1980-81.

will be available for 1980-81.

The view in Scotland is that it would be in everyone's interest to have a more attractive salary scale to encourage the highest musical talent away from London, where the difficulties of the recording industry have made life there less attractive to freely a projectors. tive to freelance musicians. A a heavy opera load."

From Inverness the whole secure income would allow first.
The orchestra plans to spend orchestra, with a grand piano, class professionals to give more six months in Scotland, where it will carry out a winter series the Highland line. Concerts will musicians in Scotland.

# Strasbourg to debate cut of £1,000m for Britain

From Our European Political Editor

Strasbourg, Jan 14 The British demand for "a broad balance" in payments to

what progress has been made since the Dublin summit, where Mrs Thatcher strongly insisted on the British claim to cover a deficit of £1,000m. Mr Finn Gundelach, Commissioner for Agriculture, has now made known the EEC Commission's view on reform of Commission's view on reform of the common agricultural policy in a letter to Mr James Scott-Hopkins, leader of the conservative European Democrat Group. Mr Gundelach says the Commission's proposal, sent to the Council of Ministers, describes how the proposed supplementary co-responsibility.

supplementary co-responsibility levy on milk production would work to reduce Community milk surpluses.
"We are proposing that the "We are proposing the time cost of the disposal of additional milk delivered to dairies in 1980 by comparison with 1979 should be borne by the dairies. . . . It is correct that in order to ensure that the Community has a revenue during the year, we propose to collect a levy of 3 per cent on the dairies other than those which undertake not to increase their purchases in 1980.

"We also make provision, bowever, for a final financial settlement at the end of the

Mr Gundelach's letter exbroad balance" in payments to and receipts from the EEC will he debated in the Europeau Parliament here on Wednesday.

The Prime Minister of the Irish Republic, President of the Council of Ministers, is committed to attend and report what progress has been made since the Dublin summit, where to be shown in the course of Wednesday's debate how that would happen. In fact all the signs here are

that neither the Council of Ministers, the Commission, nor the business managers of the European Parliament expect much progress to be made on British budget demands or the passing of a new budget draft i otil June. 61,000m still sought. Sir Ian Gilmour, the Lord Privy Seal, today told Mr Roy Jenkins and

other EEC commissioners that Britain was as firm as ever in its demand for a £1,000m cut in its net contribution to the Community budget in 1980 (our Brusseis Correspondent writes) Mr Jenkins and other commissioners were understood to have told Sir Ian that they con-sidered the British approach to be misguided. They said it would be better to identify areas where EEC spending in Britain could be increased rather than to insist on a particular sum of

# Nine curb subsidies on butter sales to Russia From Our Own Correspondent Brussels, Jan 14 The European Commission will only last for three days unless renewed EEC foreign ministers will

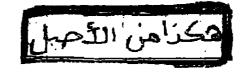
has decided to suspend the prefixing of export subsidies for some 24,000 tounes of butter, most of which was intended for sale to the Soviet Union and other East European countries. granted for the sale of 31,000 tonnes to the Soviet Union. Suspension of pre-lixing does not amount to an embargo but does introduce an element of risk for traders that makes them unlikely to want to sell. The suspension

Most British members of the European Parliament (MEPs) are astonished by the envy and malice shown towards them by Westminster MPs and many

peers. They do not complain Revenue towards MEPs' consti-that their salaries should be at tuency travel means that many Since the rejection of the

granted an automatic allowance for constituency travel in constituencies that incorporate seven or eight Westminster seats.

Since the rejection or the Euro budget in December MEPs that allowances which may continue until a new draft budget passes in June.



# Kabul in 'secret approach to rebels'

From Robert Fisk
Kabul, Jan 14
The "day of mourning"
officially held today by
Afghanistan's ruling People's
Democratic Party (PDP) was not a very successful affair. Thousands of men and women were supposed to throng the mosques to sign a book of condolences for those killed by the "butcher Amin"—the country's former dictator Helizuilah Amin.

But, in the event, only a few hundred people turned up at the yellow-painted Polekheshd Bridge Mosque, and they were for the most part well-dressed

for the most part well-dressed party functionaries. Four young med, who arrived at this blue mosque in nerth Kabul and attempted to avoid the signing attempted to avoid the signing ceremony, were reminded of their party duties by a soldier with a bayonet fixed to his rifle. They stand the book.

The rest of Kabul maintained the uneasy tenor of its normal weekday life. The bazars were the party and the street.

open as usual and the street sellers with their sweetments and oils continued to trade beside the ice-covered Kabul river. In the old city, a Western television crew were stoned by a crowd after being mistaken for Russians. The PDP does not seem—to put it mildly—to have convinced the people of the Seviet Union's fraternal role in the Afghan

However, it appears that the party is already making ap-proaches to the rebel tribesmen to explore the possibilities of a ceasefire in the rural areas Afghanistan. For several days now, reports have been reaching Kabul of secret negotiations between government mediators and tribal leaders in the north Pakistan frontier city of Peshawar.

These reports have been given added weight by an official party statement issued in Kabul, which said that the PDP would begin friendly negotianism with all persons with tions with all persons, with national democratic progressives and with Islamic circles and organizations, in concert with the party charter and Government policy statements".

Within this rather sterile dec laration, the phrase "Islamic circles" almost certainly refers to the Muslim rebels, who have controlled large areas of Afghanistan for the past 17

There is no doubt that these approaches have received the support of the Soviet Union. Of the 20 new Government munisters just announced in Kabul, five are soldiers whose allegiance to Soviet policies in the country is unquestioned. Mr Karmal has included in his

Cabinet one former minister from Amin's regime — Mr Muhammad Ismail Dawish, the Minister of Mines and Indus-tries—and the new Minister of Education is a woman, Anahita Ratebzad, who is said to have considerable influence with Mr

Outside Kabul this morning, another Soviet Army convoy made its way through the Salung pass after weekend ambushes by Pushtun tribes**President Carter promises to take** any action required for protecting US interests in Asia

An important ingredient of this plan is likely to be enhanced economic and military aid totalling about \$400m (£180m) over a two-year period for Pakistan which now fears for its security.

Mr Carter's promise came during an address to a White House conference on small business last night. Deviating from his text, which dealt mainly with the problems of small businesses. small businessmen, the President said that during the past two months "we have shown America will not give in to terrorism of international intimidation, whatever its form.

intimidation, whatever its form, or wherever it occurs." His remarks were greeted by enthusiastic applause from the 2,000 or so delegates.

Mr Carter also promised that the United States would continue to apply trade pressures on the Soviet Union. "Even under the best of circumstances, normal trade will not be resumed soon with the Soviet Union."

Administration officials have disclosed that during talks in Washington over the weekend with Mr Agha Shahi, the Paki-

From Ian Murray
Darra, Pakistan, Jan 14
The mujahedeen (Islamic fighters) insurgents fighting the Soviet and Afghan forces are doing so on credit. The thousands of weapons they are buying are being purchased from arms dealers inside the Tribal Lands in Pakistan, who are granting them credit facilities.

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One insurgent group says it is already £250,000 in the red with the dealers. At one of the gun shops here today one of the 200 dealers said he alone was owed more than £200,000.

Darra is a town which has been supplying guns to the border tribesmen for more than 100 years but it can never have

100 years, but it can never have

known a boom like the present. As it is situated just inside Tribal Lands the making and

selling of guns without per-mission from the Pakistani Government is quite legal.

The gun shops—more than 200 of them—are on each side of the main street. They resemble lock-up garages with steal pollor blinds

pistol pens to anti-tank guns.

Bandoleers abound. Bullets are

stacked high in glass cases.
The street is filthy, with the

stani Foreign Minister, Mr Carter and Mr Cyrus Vance, the Secretary of State, offered promised that the United States promised that the United States will employ "whatever action is required" to protect its and \$200m next year in addition interests in Asia after the to the limited aid Pakistan Soviet intervention in Afghani-

The financial assistance in the Ine tinancial assistance in the form of credits and loans would be divided equally for economic and military purchases. Arms purchases would be limited to defensive systems, such as anti-aircraft and anti-tank weapons, as well as infantry and artillery equipment to bolster Pakistan's border defenses with Afghaniborder defences with Afghanistan. The Administration has reportedly ruled out the supply of such items.

of such items as advanced fighter aircraft because of the threat this could pose to India. A State Department spokes-man said today that a final de-cision would await further dis-cussions with the Pakistani authorities. The emergency aid will also require the approval of Congress which imposed restrictions on aid to Pakistan after reports that it was de-

veloping nuclear weapons. The proposed aid to Pakistan The proposed aid to Pakistan is expected to feature prominently during talks in Europethis week between Administration officials and representatives of allied governments. Mr Warren Christopher, the Deputy Secretary of State, and Mr Richard Cooper, the Undersertary for Economic Affairs, are looking for support for in-

Insurgents keep fighting on credit

beside one side of the road. Buses and lorries, painted gaudily, like a fairground organ

abound, honking and revving as they force their way through the bicycles and pedestrians in

the narrow roadway.

Despite the squalor, the insides of the shops gleam with AKs, Sten guns in various

designs, Beretta pistols and, above all, the Lee Enfield 303. This is still the favourite weapon of the border tribes-

men, who learnt to copy it so well after the British intro-duced it into the area in the

The markings on the guns say they are made in the United

States, England or Spain, but

their true origin is in the in-credible workshops to the rear.

Blectricity arrived in Darra only 12 years ago, but since then a wide range of lathes for

turning barrels and bolts has been brought in.

Given a model to copy, the

which one of the main work-

shops makes at the rate of one

a week at a selling price of 30,000 Pakistani rupees (£1,350).

last century.

resemble lock-up garages with steel roller blinds.

Inside each shop is a raised carpeted step on which the beaming proprietor sits surrounded by his weapon store.

The range seems infinite, from local transless weapons, are anti-rank weapons, are capable of turning out any gum on request.

occasional goat or sheep stroll. The Stens cost about 3,000 ing about. An open sewer runs rupees each and the Lee

Made-to-order weapons ranging from pistols to

anti-tank guns freely available in 200 shops

creased aid for Pakistan from West European countries. Another topic likely to be

discussed is the possibility of a boycott of the Olympic Games in Moscow or their transfer to apother site outside the Soviet Union, like Montreal or Munich. A State Department spokesman said today he experted that there would still be considerable interest in the subject, although the Olympic authorities have ruled out any change of venue.

Suggestions for a transfer o the Olympic Games from Mosrow have come from such American leaders as Mr Walter Mondale, the Vice-President.

Mondale, the Vice-President.

The State Department has again increased its estimates of the number of Soviet troops operating in Afghanistan. A spokesman said today that there were at least 80,000 military personnel in the country and that nearly all the forces which had been on the border seemed to have entered Afghanistan.

Reports reaching Washington

Reports reaching Washington also indicated that Soviet air-craft were active in the north-east of Afghanistan and that more Soviet ground forces had were soviet ground forces had been sent to that area. There were still reports of sporadic clashes between Soviet and Afghan forces as well as of civil disturbances in various cities including Kabul, Herat, Kandahar and Jalalabad, the spokesman said.

on quality or calibre.
One trader said he thought shops tended to average 30 sales a day each, which would mean that something like 6,000

guns were being sold to the insurgents every day. This figure does seem exaggerated but there can be no doubt that

trading is very brisk.

Money to buy the weapons is scarce with most of the funds

coming as donations from Afghans working in the Gulf states. Credit is welcomed.

The armoury available to them, however, is limited to weapons with nothing much larger than 50mm shells, but the tribesmen claim they are still able to knock out tanks using a shovel. They simply dig a hole and wait for a tank to fall in.

They also claim they have

captured two helicopters and

several tanks though they lack

the knowledge to use them. It

is to Darra they come to huv

their most trusted weapons.

to expel American journalists

OVERSEAS.

Iran decides

journalists should leave Iran but it shelved a similar order against Eritish and West German correspondents.

Mr Ali Akbar Moiofar, the Oil Minister, said on leaving a meeting of the council: "Ali American journalists will be expelled from Iran very soon hecause of publication of mali-A motion before the council

was for the immediate ex-pulsion of all United States, British and West German journalists. Informed sources said it was understood that the United States journalists would have

to leave the country within two days. Mr Moinfar said journalists from Britain and West Cermany would receive a severe warning about their future coverage of events in Iran. An official Revolutionary Council statement said: "In view of the continuing bad propaganda of the United States and some other countries and the biased role played by some of the foreign news men and news agencies, and in view of the fact that this group distorts the news about Iran and their press insults the

Islamic revolution and our national sanctity, the Government does not deem it necessary to put up with this kind of foreign journalists.
"Therefore the Revolutionary Council and the Government have decided that all the journalists of news agencies and the press of the aggressive country of America will be ex-

pelled from Iran."

The statement added: "Journalists from other countries like Britain, West Germany and other states will be warned that The Stens cost about 3,000 rupees each and the Lee Entields 2,000 rupees.

Bullets, all made by hand, are proportionately more expensive. Tradesmen with baskets full of brass and copper cartridge cases squat at the door of their workshops packing in the gunpowder. They cost anything between 12 and 30 rupees each depending on quality or calibre. if they adopt a biased approach towards the Islamic revolution of Iran in the future and distort

news, they will also be expelled immediately." Mr Sødeq Qotbzadeh, the Foreign Minister, said today that the American Embassy bostages might be held forever obstages might be need to ever if the United States refused to extradite the Shah. He said Ayatollah Khomeini's regime was prepared to wait "more or less forever".

The Iranian Government, in a statement issued by the Foreign Ministry, urged allies of the United States not to back any unilateral American action

The statement, after the vote in the United Nations Security Council, said: "We insistently demand that other governments do not enter the political games of America."—Reuter and AP.



Slogan day for these Iranian Scouts outside the occupied American Embassy in Tehran-

# Americans press on with sanctions

Washington, Jan 14 The United States is expected to press ahead with its own economic sanctions against Iran, after last night's veto by the Soviet Union of a full-scale United Nations embargo.

The Administration is hoping that other countries, particularly its allies in Western Europe, will join in sanctions in spite of the absence of formal Security Council approval for such a course of action.

After last night's vote in New York, Mr Donald McHenry, the United States representative, described the Soviet objection to sanctions as "a cynical and irresponsible use of veto power". Moscow's transparent motive, he said, was to "curry favour with the Iranian Govern-

ment and people". Mr McHenry said his country would now apply its own sanc-tions against Iran "firmly and vigorously" and he urged other states to join in. The sanctions are designed to increase pressure on the Iranian authorities to release the 50 hostages still being held at the American Embassy in Tehran.

Before the vote Security Council, Mr McHenry described the proposed sanc-tions as a "temperate response to Iranian intemperance".

Amnesty criticizes human rights

Sanctions would, he argued serve to demonstrate that tran's "continued defiance of international law" would result in its increased isolation from the Security Council first the world community. The failure of the council to act would confirm the belief of those in Iran who felt they could act with impunity, he

In response, Mr Oleg Troyanevsky, the Soviet repre-sentative, blamed the United States and not Iran for threatresponse, ening world peace. Iran, he said, had done nothing which constituted a threat to inter-national peace and security. Such actions had been undertaken by the United States, which, he claimed was "trampling underfoot the rights of peoples -- today in Iran, tomorrow in regard to other sovereign states".

When the vote was called, nine other members of the Security Council joined the United States in approving economic sanctions. They were Britain, France, Norway, Portugal, Tunisia, Zambia, Jamaica, Niger and the Philippines. East Germany joined the Soviet Union in opposing sanctions and Mexico and Bangladesh abstained. China declined to

threatened economic sanctions against Iran on December 31, growing hostility between washington and Moscow over the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan made the outcome inevitable.

The final vote, originally due to take place at the end of last week was postponed after indications from Tehran that the authorities there might be considering moves to accelerate the release of the hostages. But, the release of the hostages. But, after telephone contacts with Mr Sadeq Qotbzadeh, the Iranian Foreign Minister, Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General, announced at the opening of yesterday's Security Council meeting that "no mutually satisfactory solution" to the problem had been found. President Carter now has to President Carter now has to

decide exactly how the Administration should proceed in enforcing unilateral sanctions against Iran. Among the various options are a naval blockade, but Mr Harold Brown, the Pefence Secretary, told a television interviewer yesterday that other pressures by the international community were "much preferable".

# UN opens £25m fund to help refugees settle

From Our Correspondent Geneva, Jan 14 Mr Paul Hartling, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, today appealed for S55m (£25m) for Afghans seeking sanctuary in Pakistan. He said that events in Afghanistan, combined with mountainous The United States of the Country, getting them away from the frontier regions—where their presence in large numbers can afford cover to guerrilla groups and be politically dangerous. combined with mountainous terrain and hard winter conditions, had confronted the world with a "major refugee emer-

With at least 2,000 people crossing into Pakistan daily, the United Nations estimates the United Nations estimates the present total at more than 500,000, of whom 420,000 had registered with the Pakistani authorities up to last weekend.

This compares with 280,000 executive committee. While executive committee. While This compares with 280,000 when the United Nations started a 12-month aid programme in October, costing \$10m. About 930m of the fivefold increase now needed is to be in cash, with the remainder in the form with the remainder in the form the form of the remainder in the form the form of the remainder in the form the remainder in the remainder in the form the remainder in the rema

Government's policy was to move refugees to camps inside the country, getting them away from the frontier regions— where their present in large

The United Nations would also provide water supplies, basic health services, elementary schooling and agricultural implements. It was hoped the Afghans would become selfsupporting.
Mr Hartling's appeal is going

Hartling said any Soviet Govern-ment donation would certainly r rood.

Mr Hartling said the Pakistani refugee relief programmes.

#### **BBC** shelves its round-Russia television series

The BBC explained yester-day that its television series, Journey Through Russia, had been temporarily shelved, because of the situation in

Afghanistan. But the BBC is to go ahead with another series called, Russia, Language and People which is presented by Tatyana Vedeneeva, the Soviet news reader. It began last night. A BBC spokesman said yes-terday that the programmes

were different. "One is purely a Russian language series similar to ones in French and German, and is completely uncontroversial. "The other, which was to be

screened on the lunchtime programme Pebble Mill at One vas a magazine show." The Journey Through Russia series was due to be screened in six parts starting on January 28. It was filmed over five weeks in the autumn.

#### Discussions in London with Mr Christopher By Henry Stanbope Defence Correspondent

Support for other countries in South-west Asia after the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan was discussed by Mr Warren Christopher, the American Deputy Secretary of State, and Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, in London yesterday. Their discussions almost cer-

tainly included arms supplies, although sources would not con-firm this last night. The two men also discussed the whole issue of the Western response to the Soviet Union, and covered the latest situation in Iran in the light of Sunday night's Soviet veto on sauctions. Mr Christopher then left for Rome on his tour of European capitals, including Brussels, Bonn and Paris. He and Mr Hurd will meet in Brussels today at a Nato Council meeting.

# aspects of British Rhodesia policy They also claim they have From Nicholas Ashford

Salisbury, Jan 14

Amnesty International has criticized the British Adminis-tration in Rhodesia for paying insufficient attention to human rights questions since the territory's return to legality a month ago.

A seven-page memorandum Seven-page memorandum submitted to Lord Soames, the Governor, by two representatives from the London-based human rights organization who visited Rhodesia last week, has alleged that official concern for the victims of buman rights violations seems to be our-weighed by political considerations.

The two representatives Mr. Dick Oosting, Amnesty's Deputy Secretary-General, and Mr Malcolm Smart, have listed a number of areas where they believe there is cause for considerable

These include the continued detention of some political offenders and the fact that offenders and the fact that people are still being detained for up to 30 days under the emergency regulations; the linking of release programmes to the progress of the cease-fire; the refusal to grant access to detainees still held under martial law regulations, even to the Red Cross: the even to the Red Cross; the predominant role given to the Rhodesian Administration in reviewing appeals for the release of individual detainees; arrival but feel thes and the lack of affirmative go nearly far enough.

The criticisms con the criticisms con question of torture.

Mr Oosting and Mr Smart have also called on Lord Soames to take certain steps to ensure that human rights violations cease. These are:
(a) The immediate and unconditional release of all remaining detainees;

(b) The granting of immediate access by humanitarian bodies such as the International Committee of the Red Cross to martial law detainees and political prisoners;
(c) A public assurance that

existing repressive legislation

(d) Affirmative action on the

question of torture;
(e) Publication of the names,
dates and places of all executions carried out by the Rhodesian Government since

The accusations made by Amnesty International are likely to cause some embarrassment at Government House in Salisbury, particularly as the British Government in the past had been quick to condemn human rights violations during the 14 years while Mr Ian Smithwas in power. However, the official British

view is that considerable pro-gress has already been made in a relatively short time in removing or at least neutralizing, some of the more inhumane laws introduced by previous Rhodesian administrations.

It is pointed out that since he Governor's arrival most the political detainees held under the emergency powers regula-tions have been released, 11 death sentences have been commuted, the use of special courts martial have been stopped and restriction orders on people regarded as former political offenders have been removed. Mr Costing and Mr Smart accept that a number of important reforms have been intro-duced since Lord Soames' arrival but feel these do not

The criticisms contained in the Amnesty memorandum were discussed at a meeting between Mr Oosting and Sir Authory Duff, the Deputy Governor, on Saturday. It is understood that while Sir Anthony undertook to look into some of Amnesty's complaints he was not prepared to make any big concessions at this stage.

However, the meeting has

provoked prompt action in one sphere. Amussty complained that no British representative had visited a Rhodesian prison since the Governor's arrival to examine conditions there par- in Mozambique.

will not be used under British ticularly of the remaining poli-authority; tical detainees some of whom have been held without trial for up to 17 years. A British spokes man said a British official would be undertaking such a visit shortly.
One of the problems prevent-

ing the British authorities in Rhodesia from meeting more of Amnesty's requests is the con-tinued existence of marrial law and the state of emergency. The British insist that both must be retained until the ceasefire is seen to be working better than ar present. In fact, it is most likely that Lord Soames will have to extend the state of emergency at the end of this

According to the Amnesty memorandum an estimated 5,000 people are being held under martial law regulations, although other sources believe the figure is much higher. No one seems to know the exact

figure.
There has also been some confusion over the number of political prisoners being held under the emergency powers regulations. Two weeks ago the British sookesman announced that only 17 people were still being held. However, since then about 60 more political detainees have been released and there are still a handful—offi-cially "less than 20"—being held. The outstanding cases are

being reviewed.

The British reel they are being unfairly criticized over the question of detainees. They point our that whereas a con-siderable number of detainees have been freed in Rhodesia this is not the case in two other countries involved in settlement-Mozambique,

where about 50 dissident mem-bers of Mr Robert Mugabe's Zanu organization are being held and Zambia where several hundred prisoners of war taken by Mr. Jeshua Nkomo's Zapu organization are being kept in camps. Amnesty has called for

# Nkomo party is Patriotic Front now

From Frederick Cleary Salisbury, Jan 14

Mr Josnua Nkomo sprang a surprise today, when black parties registered formally for the February general election, by listing his group as the Patriotic Front.

His organization has hitherto been called the Zimbabwe African People's Union (Zapu). The latest move reflects Mr Nkomo's hopes to win recogni-tion as a national and not just regional leader.

Altogether ten black parties registered for the February 27-29 poll, in which candidates will be seeking on a party list system to win 80 out of the 100 sears in the House of Assembly, 20 being reserved for whites. Seven parties will stand in all

eight electoral districts. They are: The United African National Council, the Patriotic Pront, the National Democratic Party, the Zimbabwe African National Union (PF), the Zimbabwe African National Union, the National Front of Zimbabwe and the Zimbabwe

Democratic Party.

Chief Jeremiah Chiraus' Zimbabwe African People's Organization (Zapo) will stand in only six districts, Chief Kavisa Ndiweni's United National Federal Party in five areas, and the United People's Association of Matabeleland (Upam) in only

All parties taking part in the election had to submit party symbols and pay \$200 deposit in cash for each district they intend contesting. Mr Robert Mugabe's Zanu Symbol was rejected by the Registrar Gen-eral, Mr Eric Pope-Symonds, as being detrimental to public order. The symbol was a com-munist-made AK47 rifle crossed with a hoe. Zanu (PF) has seven days in which to register another symbol.

Kenya threat: President Daniel Arap Moi today indicated he would withdraw the Kenyan contingent from the Commonwealth peace-keeping force in Rhodesia if South African troops did not leave the territory. President Moi said in Nairobi that the presence of South African troops at Beit bridge on the border with South Africa was contrary to assurances given at the London

peace conference.

OAU joins protest: The Organization of African Unity (OAU) liberation committee toda? added its voice to a chorus of attacks on Britain over its administration of Rhodesia.

A statement from the Dar es Salaam-based committee, which channels OAU funds to Patriotic Front guerrillas, said: Since the arrival of the British Governor in Salisbury, the situation in Rhodesia has deterinrated to alarming proportions.'

It criticized the deployment of Rhodesian Army troops Reuter.

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# Dissident arrests preceded Soviet invasion

The first warning of the impending invasion of Afghanistan came last October and impending invasion of Afghanistan come last October and November with a wave of arrests of Soviet dissidents, according to Mr Alexander Ginzburg the prominent Mrs Maiva Lanua on the Moscow Helsinki monitoring group, of which Mr Ginzburg was a member before his last period of arrest. She has been sent into exile to the Vladimir the prominent Ginzburg, the Russian dissident.

Significantly, most of those arrested were not leaders of the dissident movement, he told The Times in an interview. Almost without exception, they had reputations as writers and publicists.

Soviet dissidents thought at the time that the 30 arrests were part of a "cleansing" operation in preparation for the Moscow Olympics. They now realize, he said, that they were an attempt to preempt a strengthening of the human rights movement within the Soviet Union which, for the Kremlin, is the most worrying fall-out from the annexation of Afghanistan.

"It is not fear of the West but fear of the further development of the human rights movement in the Sov Union", Mr Ginzburg said. the Soviet The human rights campaign in the Soviet Union was now a mass movement, he explained. a mass movement, he explained.
Vast numbers of people had access to foreign broadcasts, carrying news of Afghanistan and the dissidents.

October and November were Mrs Malva Landa of the region.

Others included Father Glebya Kunin, leader of the Christian Defence Society in the Ukraine; Mr Antanas Terleckas, a member of the Lichusoian Helsinki group; Mrs Tatyana Shipkova an activist who participated in the Christian Seminar about the Problems of the Religious Revival in the Soviet Union: Mr Lev Regelson, author of The Tragedy of the Russian Church; and Bishop Nicolai Goritoy of the Krasnodar region as well as a number of volunteers. teers working for the Russian Social Fund. The fund gathers subscriptions which are used to assist dissidents and their

families. Mr Ginzburg welcomed the retaliatory measures taken by the United States against the Soviet Union and hoped earnestly that other countries would not step in to fill the gap left in Russia's need for grain

and technology. He discounted the possibility that the Soviet military had designs on Iran.

"Iran is needed not as a friend but as an enemy of the United States. Your friend you have to help economically; but to the enemy of the USA you can sell arms that you no longer want. If the Soviet Union needed to take troops through Iran it could be done very easily with the present chaotic

He also discounted suggestions that Russia might eventually annex Iran to gain control of its oil supplies. The Central Intelligence Agency has esti-mated that the Soviet Union will become a net oil importer during the 1980s. This Mr Ginzburg dismisses as "dis-Ginzburg dismisses as "dis-information" put about by the Soviet Union. The aim is to raise Opec oil prices and thus undermine the West and make Soviet satellite countries more dependent on Moscow because of the favourable oil prices it grants to Soviet block countries. The lesson that the West

must learn from Afghanistan, he said, was that it must retain its influence in the Third World. "Afghanistan is an example of what happens when the West leaves a country." He took Nicaragua as the latest example of a country where the West had had the opportunity to oversee the reform of a repressive, corrupt regime but had left the job to communists.

think that the invasion of Afghanistan and the subsequent rapid deterioration in relations between the United States and Russia would affect the emigration of Jews from the Soviet "This is not a humanitarian

act: this is an extension of trade on various levels. Jewish emigration is a very good product to sell." He said that the process was now like a woundup machine, it would be very difficult to stop it. Besides, those who had applied for exit visas from the Soviet Union were excluded from normal life and there was little the authorities could do with them.

When Mr Ginzburg left the
Soviet Union in April last year

in exchange for two spies, his wife, Irina, decided not to accompany him because the authorities would not allow their de facto ward, Mr Sergei Shibayev, to leave with them. She applied for exit visas for herself, Mr Ginzburg's 72-yearold mother and the couple's two young sons because of the de-

An agency report at the weekend quoted the mother as saying that permission to leave had been granted. This did not include the adopted son, now serving in a construction battalion of the Soviet Army in Mr Ginzburg said he did not the north of the country

cline in the health of Mr

Ginzburg's mother.

# released from Czech jail Mr Jiri Lederer, the dissident

Czech journalist, has been released from jail after serving a three-year sentence on charges of "subversion of the republic", the Palach Press Agency reports.

He had been sentenced for

compiling a book of interviews with Czech writers whose work had been banned in Czechoslovakia since the Soviet intervention of 1968. Mr Lederer, who suffers from thyroid and heart trouble, needed frequent hospital treatment while in prison. which he obtained only after a campaign of protests and appeals by his supporters.

## Dayan move fails to stop transfer of settlement From Moshe Brilliant

Tel Aviv, Jan 14 The Government today nar-

rowly defeated a parliamentary move by Mr Moshe Dayan, the former Foreign Minister, to prevent it from transplanting the outlawed Gush Emunim settlement of Elon Moreh, south of Nablus, to a new site east of the city. By a vote of 42 to 40 after a stormy discussion, the House decided not to adopt the pro-

Mr Dayan in his first parliamentary speech since he re-signed from the Government said he favoured Jewish settle-ment in the West Bank in large blocks of economically viable units coexisting with Arab

neighbours, but the site selected was isolated

As government-employed workers today completed blasting operations on Jebel Kebir, the new site, the inhabitants of Elon Moreh, however, appeared not recognize the second of the complete the second of the complete the second of the second o not reconciled to moving from their present site which the Israel High Court has ruled had been requisitioned unlawfully. Two representatives applied to the High Court today to be recognized as a party in an eviction suit against the Covernment by Arabs
Guerrillas arrested: Security

authorities in Cairo have arrested 70 members of a Muslim group, called Jihad (Holy War), after it planted bombs in Alexandria.—UPL

# Mrs Gandhi's Cabinet list excludes her son and ex-ministers identified with emergency rule

From Richard Wigg
Delhi, Jan 14
Mrs Indira Gandhi was sworn
in by President Sanjiya Reddy
here today as Prime Minister.
She heads a 22-member Cabinet
which clearly rewards personal
loyalty to her and includes some
younger ministers identifiable
as friends of her son, Mr Sanjay Gandhi.
He is not included nor are

He is not included, nor are any of the nationally known figures closely identified with the emergency like Mr Bansi Lal, Mrs Gandhi's former Defence Minister.

Above all, it is a Cabinet of little known provincial politicians, thus emphasizing the dominance of the 62-year-old stateswoman who has recovered the chief executive power in India less than three years after resigning following her defeat in the March, 1977, general

The Bombay stock exchange today greeted the new Cabinet with a general rise in shares. Businessmen evidently anticipated that Mrs Gandhi would mean a period of stability.

The Prime Minister, making her first national broadcast spines taking office training the stability of the s

since taking office tonight, em-phasized that her only goal was to build up "a strong self-re-liant, and independent India". A democratic election gave a chance to make a new beginning. "Our country needs a healing touch", she said. [In her broadcast Mrs Gandhi

said she was assuming office in the wake of a severe drought, acute shortages and 18 months of strained industrial relations, Reuter reports from Delhi Reuter reports from Delhi.

"The overall picture of the economy, gathered from officials, is far worse than even I had expected. Indeed, it is shocking," she said. shocking", she said.

Mrs Gandhi attacked her opponents for 33 months of on-concern and non-governance," and said the Janata Party Government had "sowed the seeds of bitterness, confronta-tion, division and destabiliza-She said her Govern-

cracy, socialism and secularism was a matter of faith. Malice and politics of hate were self-destructive and alien to the immediate tasks ahead.}

This is only the first stage of Cabinet building. There is still no Defence Minister; Industry Minister or Labour Minister, but whatever the subsequent appointments they are most unlikely to alter the Prime Minister's supreme power.

India's new External Affairs
Minister is to be Mr P. V. Narasimba Rao. His appointment
comes at a moment when Mrs comes at a moment when Mrs Gandhi has already decided to adopt a pro-Soviet line on Afghanistan. He is a 58-year-old farmer and lawyer turned politician from Andhra Pradesh, the south Indian Congress stronghold, of which he was Chief Minister from 1971-73. Mr

Chief Minister from 1971-73. Mr
Rao was subsequently made one
of the general secretaries of the
then united Congress Party in
Dehi, a post he held throughout the emergency period.

The first hint that Mrs
Gandhi was choosing the loyal
Mr Rao unexpectedly for
External Affairs came when he
was deputed to give that
Ministry word of Mrs Gandhi's
switch of emphasis on Afghanistan from the policy of the outstan from the policy of the outgoing government on Friday. Previously he had been widely tipped as her choice for Home

tipped as her choice for Home Minister, if she did not keep the portfolio for herself.

Mr Zail Singh is Mrs Gandbi's choice instead as Home Minister. He was Chief Minister of the Punjab from 1972 until March 1977 and his conduct during the emergency was the subject of an inquiry ordered subject of an inquiry ordered by the Janaca Government which still has not been wound up. Noted for his loyalty to Mrs of Mr Sanjay Gandhi. On tak-ing office today he promised be would make India "a place where every Indian is secure.".

To tackle India's grave econo mic problems, Mrs Gandhi has chosen Mr R. Venkataramah who takes finance. He is known

ster, the two new ministers known as friends of Mr Sanjay Gandhi are Mr Abul Ghani
Chaudhury, who gets the post
of Irrigation and Energy and Mr
P. K. Mukherjee, who gets Commerce. Mr Chaudhury's is an
important and influential apimportant and influential ap-pointment in view of India's woefully inadequate energy position. The power cuts which hit industry and consumers during the hot summer and the drought are still continuing as a cold spell in northern India is causing overloading. Both men are Bengalis and Mr Mukherian has been especially herjee has been especially prominent in West Bengal as leader of the Congress oppo-sition to the Marxist state gov-

Mrs Gandhi has chosen Mr B. N. Singh as Minister of Parliamentary Affairs. She used him as an emissary both to Mr Jagjivar Ram, the defeated Janata leader, and earlier to Mr Charan Singh, the former caretaker Prime Minister, for her behind the scenes talks. Mrs Gandhi's office indicated

today that she will keep the unfilled portfolios, headed by Defence, for herself at present. Both Mrs Gandhi's sons, Mr Rajiv Gandhi and Mr Sanjay Gandhi, attended with their wives today's swearing-in cere-mony at the President's palace. -Members of the new Cabinet

Horne Affairs: Zall Shagh.



# Fashion

by Prudence Glynn



There is a neat joke abroad in that square mile around Oxford Circus which contains every level our fashion industry both as suppliers and retailers. It There's no business like the fashion business; and there's no business—I know."

True, since fashion, always a

seatof-the-pants industry at best no longer has pundits to itell Madame or Miss what they ought to be wearing and you cannot spend your life in the disco or the Masonic banquet to find put what your customers want. Neat, if not nice in its implications. Hopes that drastic reductions on clothes prices in the Sales might shift dead stock the Sales might shift dead stock and release money for new season; buying have only partially been realized. Trade is slow, both having recently rebearsed my reasons for believing why this may be so, I shall move straight on to say that there could have been bappier months for the subject this profile to see lehrate. in the words of his be the first collection by Ken. Fleetwood at Hardy Amies Cou-ture since the House regained, financial autonomy, it is a simply-

Above: A preview of

ensemble from what, if all goes according to plan next week, will

stunning collection, combining again those qualities of superb

labric coupled of course in this House to a tear-jerking level of

technical competence, I do some-times wonder if we should not

times wonder if we should not be spending state money on training more nimble fingers to stitch chiffons and double-face than giving them BA hons de-grees in failing to become Balenclaga. . This outfit is in coffee pure silk orepe with a little print, and what matters about it are the proportions. With the

inches off one's hip size). There

is a new sleeve length, note. Two inches above the wrist bone, très

raffine and Mr Fleetwood and I are agreed that little gloves—

half an inch below the wrist bone are crucial. While it is a sin to

show a narrow gap between boot and skirt, in sleeve and glove it is,

celebrate, in the words of his old school son; "40 Years On" in the trade of fashion. Most people think of Edward

not likely to cause more walking wounded than the First World War.

World War.

They are also likely to imagine this urbane, internationally familiar figure would be at the age of 57 tucked up in one of his pretty shops, contemplating the avoidance of corns or business upon the feet of the mighty, who have to stand about a lot and cannot really kick off their shoes. Or, as an astute businessman he might be wondering whether a wet Gold Cup day at Ascot might not be a blessing rather than a curse. On the one hand, the guests somewhat subdued, or frankly dishevelled, on the other, dozens of pairs of pastel glace kid pumps wrecked by the soggy turf of the Royal

on, Edward Rayne bas not punted into an elegant backwater but sailed smack into the eye of the retail storm.
In 1973, with what I have always understood to be very little warning Genesco, the American conglomerate which owned, besides Bonwit Teller and Henri Bendel, 42 per cent of H. and M. Rayne, and of whose board of governors Mr Rayne was a member sold off its shareholding to Debenhams. Debenhams then bought out the rest of the company and Raynes became a subsidiary of the group. Edward Rayne joined the main board and two years ago took over from Eric Crabtree as chairman of the Fashion Multiples Division. He also be-Nichols and of Lotus shoes. Currently he is in direct control of Harvey Nichols.

In view of the intense press

speculation about the future of Harvey Nichols-will it be sold, will it not be sold, to whom will it be sold, will it become a car park/hotel, Marks and Spencers, Chinese takeaway, laundry or whatever—which has surely reached even those readers not acclimatized to the dizzy prose of City pages, you can see what I mean by the eye of the storm, for Harvey Nichols is the very pupil of the fashion side of the

More, though, to follow. Debenhams appears to be busily divesting itself of its higher class properties. Hardy Amies has bought himself out—the deal should be completed next week when the indomitable septuagenarian zooms back from America and before he takes off for Australia. Cresta, the brainchild of Eric

Crabtree, is to go as are other bits and pieces all of which must serve to lodge a query in the mind about the future of the Rayne purely in terms of their must serve to lodge a query in represented Grear. Britain in feet; Royal warrant holder, the mind about the future of the European Championships in and supplier of almost the only British made shoes which are an irony for Mr Rayne to be a demon hand.

party to the fate of his own cherished family firm. Not very funny to see your patrimony being bounced about like a

The firm of H. and M. Rayne was founded in 1890 by Edward's grandparents, Henry and Mary. Henry arriving in Glasgow from Ireland changed his name from Ryan in deference to anti-Irish feeling at that time, and there met his Scots bride. When the business was first established and indeed for many years, ir provided shoes many years, if provided shoes for the stage, encompassing, if I have got it right, both the Diaghilev Ballet and Lady Diana Manners (now Cooper) in The Miracle. It is hardly surprising that the third generation of the Rayne family, in the shape of young Ed who had gone into the family firm had gone into the family firm on January 20, 1940, at the age

of 17, was stage struck. The theatrical connexion was to prove not only rewarding but highly practical because during the war the only shoes available without coupons were those designed to be worn by the tersichoreans and thespians who were keeping up British morale all over the place. In those liborated days when a sheeter liberated days when a theatre programme could proudly pro-claim "Cigarettes by Abdullah" the shoes were sure to be by Rayne, who also scored one of the earliest movie credits. Edward Ravne succeeded his

formidable father, Joseph as head of the company in 1951. He had already recognized the importance of the "international acceptance of our product. You have to think in global terms in fashion". He had been to America to regain connexions with Delman, and in France he formed ties with the equally distinguished shoe houses of Perugia and Roger Vivier. The British shoe trade is amongst the least style conscious in the world and was even worse then, but Edward boldly immersed himself in the war-battered world of our couture and as a result made lifelong friends of the late Sir Norman Hartnell and of Hardy Amies.

It is important to remember the contribution made by that generation of our designers now mostly dead or relegated by critics to the ranks of the hopelessly, sub-Paris talent. Edward Rayne himself had been exempt from war ser-vice because at the age of

16 he had cataracts in both eyes which prevented him from reading "but I could see cards. I spent my time playing bridge". To some effect. He

Harmell, Amies, now with his own house, Michael, Ronald Paterson, John Cavanagh et suitable al got together to form

the Incorporated Society of Fashion Designers. Spearheading the putative revival of our courure industry they steamed gamely over to New York on the QE1 and made spirited efforts to lure foreign buyers over here. Eddie Rayne went too, or rather he did not just go, he actively partook, as they would say across the Atlantic. By 1957 he was chairman of the associated members of the INCSOC and in 1960 became chairman of the society itself.

Since then his contribution to and support of British fashion has been remarkable. Consistent, sympathetic, diligent as an advisor, a shrewd observer CONSTITU just that global knowledge so scarce in the fashion retailing industry here. He serves on more committees than I care to count and had a leading hand in the highly successful Au Printemps promotion of British goods in France recently.

Even for an innumerate optimist such as myself, it would be rash to wish Mr Rayne a further happy 40 years on, so perhaps I should just look in my notebook and see what I want his help about next. I know that I shall get it. . . ....



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## in Pakistan Kashmir for their release.

Chief Justice quits post

Mr Mohammad Yusuf Saraf, Chief Justice of the High Court in the Pakistan part of Kashmir, has resigned in protest against an inquiry into his conduct ordered by the President of the Azad Kashmir Government.

Azad Kashmir Government.

About two dozen accusations against Mr Saraf are made in a charge sheet served on him by the Supreme Judicial Council which oversees the conduct and behaviour of superior judges. One accuses him of personal bias for Mr Zulfikar the former Prime Minister, who he considered to have been wrougly convicted. wrougly convicted. In his rejoinder to the

Judicial Council, Saraf expressed lack of confi-dence in Mr Justice Chaudhri Rahim Dad, the president of the council, who is also Chief Justice of the Azad Kashmir Supreme Court, and in the other two members of the

Mr Saraf, who is 57, and a lawyer from the Kashmir valley, is the author of Kashmir's Fight for Freedom. He was appointed Chief Justice of the High Court in May 1975. In one of his recent decisions he quashed proceedings under martial law in Azad Kashmir.

Begum Nusrat Bhutto, the information is widow of the late Prime Minipublic interest. ster and Miss Benazir Bhutto, her daughter, have challenged the release of Mr Salamat Ali, in the Sind High Court in staff correspondent of the Karachi, heir new detention order issued by the martial law administrator of Sukkuz. The original detention period of three months had expired a few

Motorway opens

despite protests

Warsaw, Jan 14.-A four-

lane mot way beneath the

rampares of Poland's most

reverad Roman Catholic shrine

has been opened to traffic des-

pite ve a near church protests.

southern city of Czestochowa

said today that the motorway

cut across meadows about 500

yards from the monastery of Jasna Gora, where the Pope preached to a million and a half people during his visit to

The municipal authorities in

Czestochowa said the ring road was built to ease congested traffic. But the Polish episcopate said it was designed to hamper access to the shrine of

Jasna Gora. One senior cleric described it as retaliation for

Poland last June.

A charch official in the

near shrine

days ago and they had applied

The division bench of the Sind High Court today allowed two more days to their counsel. to submit an amended petition in view of the extension of the detention order. The court will resume hearing on Wednesday. The Pakistan Federal Union of Journalists and the All-

Pakistan Newspaper Employees' Confederation have passed a resolution claiming that hundreds of newspaper workers had lost their jobs because of the closure of about half a dozen newspapers and periodicals in Pakistan under executive

The two organizations urged Government to allow the publications to reappear. They include the Karachi and Lahore editions of the Urdu newspaper, Musawat, owned by the Bhutto

At a joint meeting in Lahore earlier this week the two organizations expressed concern press and the government and accused government policy of creating a serious crisis in the newspaper industry.
The meeting also criticized

the press censorship and a recent amendment in the law of defamation which makes it an offence to publish any allega-tions against anyone, even if the information is true and in the

The meeting also demanded Hongkong-based weekly publica-tion Far Eastern Economic Review. A sub-committee has been set up to try to open talks with the government.

# **Amnesty** plea on sales to tyrants

By David Watts A new attempt to persuade the Government to control the overseas sales of equipment used in repression by undernotratic governments was launched yesterday with a letter to Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, from Amnesty Inter-

national national;
The appeal, by Mr. Jacques
Berthoud, chairman of the
British section of Amnesty,
comes after a previous, unsuccessful, attempt by the organization to get the Government
to review its policy. At present
British companies are free to British companies are free to sell anything they wish to the most inhumane governments provided the sale does not con-flict with what the Government sees as British security or poli-

#### Robbers beaten to death

Rio de Janeiro, Jan 14.--A mob of 300 chased two robbers for nearly a mile and kicked, beat and stoned them to death Two young men were said to have robbed a bus conductor of about £5 and fled, pursued by a growing crowd armed with metal bars, stones and sticks.

André Kostelanetz dies New York, Jan 14.— Andre Rostelanetz, one of the world's leading conductors and the man credited with pioneering the art of recording classical music, died last night aged 78 while on holiday in Haiti.

# Relief to refugees cut off after attack on lorries

rmed men had tried to seize Red Cross and United Nations Children's Fund lorries which had driven food into Camp

Relief organizations and the Thai military began a two-day conference in Bangkok today at which they are discussing the incident and seeking ways of preventing a repetition. Army officers on the border indicated that supplies would not be resumed while armed men remained anywhere near the supply convoye and distribution supply convoys and distribution points.

From Neil Kelly

Bangkok, Jan 14

The Thai Army and international aid agencies have cut

New exodus: Security authorities in Hongkong, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia and the Philippines are intensifying surveillance. off food, water and other essential supplies to 300,000 anti-communist Kampucheaus encamped near the Thai border.

Supplies were stand other renewed outflow of refuges from Vietnam (Richard Hughes writes from Hongkong). At least 12 ships of doubtful seaworthiness are intensitying surveyed to season the standard of a renewed outflow of refuges from Vietnam (Richard Hughes writes from Hongkong). At least 12 ships of doubtful seaworthiness are intensitying surveyed. Asian states of being operated by Vietnamese syndicates with official or unofficial connexions.

The latest reported "rogue ship" is undergoing repairs in Brunei, where the authorities have been asked to report its departure immediately to Hongkong.

Several of the "rogue ships" have been anchored in Vietnamese ports since the international conference in Geneva last July when Hanoi pledged to stem the flow of immigrants. That pledge, it is now feared, will be revoked.

## print, and what matters about it ere the proportions. With the shorter skirt—just to the knee—jackets will go either thigh length or bolero length. The shoulders still remain wide, but not rounded: gently squared, to balance the silhouette (and take inches off one's bin size). There the Pope's visit to his home-land.—Reuter. Move to end Saudi missionary dominance

From Our Correspondent Kuala Lumpur, Jan 14

The four-day conference on Muslim dakhwah (missionery) movements in South-east Asia and the Pacific ended today with a move to break away from the dominant role played by Saudi Arabia in proselytising the faith in this part of the

Organized by the Malaysian Muslim Missionary Society (or Perkim to use its local acronym), the conference brought together more than 200 delegates from 17 countries to discuss common problems they share in spreading the Islamic

The chairman of Perkim, Tunku Abdul Rahman, in his opening speech last Friday, called for setting up regional coordinating bodies to help make the dakhwah groups more efficient. He suggested that Kuala Lumpur ought to be the headquarters for the South-east Asian and Pacific region.

The move was resisted by the Saudi Arabian-based Rabitah al-Alam al-Islam (World Muslim League), but the conference ended with a working com-mittee set up to look into the

was that the delegates felt the Middle Eastern countries generally did not understand the situation in those countries where Islam is at best a strong minority (only Indonesia in this region can be considered a country where substantially more than 30 per cent of the population are Muslims).

But despite the feeling that they ought to go it alone in setting up a regional dakhwah coordinating body, the general ended with a working committee set up to look into the
details of setting up such a
body.

One underlying fact to

Continuating only, the general
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a body could not stand on its
own feet without continued
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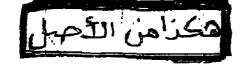
Top right: Not surprisingly in view of the jumpiness of the fashion market and ever so slight a touch of ennul among customers for the light and fantastic, the best sellers in the Sales were the great the light and factastic, the best sellers in the Sales were the great classic names—Burberry, Jaeger—so now seems a good moment to re-introduce designers who provide what I would describe as Fail-Safe Fashion. It is beautifully made, thoroughly up to date, and yet dateless because it has such an individual look that it is recognized into the classic status immediately. This dress, in sea-green pure silk crepe de Chine is by Victor Edelstein, one of our new generation of ready-to-wear couturiers. Victor cuts lovingly and cleverly. The skirts wrap just enough to show what you want, nothing more, no grand dress ever has to be but on over your head (impossible). grand dress ever has to be put on over your head (impossible; customers in the category do their hair and face before the trock is donned) everything is step-into and has the most subtle arrangement of fastenings—invisible, mostly—I have seen. This perficular dress will be in the shops at the end of next month at around £198, but there are lovely Edelstein clothes at Harrods now. Out of town, Johan Pontin 160 Broad Street Birminghem. Joan Pontin, 160 Broad Street, Birmingham.

Blue dress and jacket from Hardy Amies, 14 Savile Row, W1, as of next week. PS. All the very nice ready-to-wear collection is Top left: Another long-term stayer. Pauline Wynn-Jones, who I first wrote about when she was at Liverpool Polytechnic. Beautiful quality fabrics, immensely precise detailing, and a lovely combination of tailored and fluid lines. An outfit in pure wool crepe, china blue or navy. Shirt in embroidered silk gauze. This cope and shirt and housed there as well now, just in case you feel faint at the cost or do not like standing around for fittings. Hat by Frederick Fox. blouse is available from Harrods International Room at around £304 or H. Jorgensen, 18 Sloane St. SW3 or Dublin. Sling back shoes by Charles Jourdan £59.50.

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# Home-spun Wigan game makes sense

By Geoffrey Green

Chelses 0 Chelsen 0 Wigan 1
This is the endless and continuing surprise of the FA Cap. Who would lave imagined that 48 hours after Chelsea had gone to the top of the Second Division by annihilating Newcastle United they would be bearen at Stamford Bridge, on a hard frozen pitch, by Wigan Athletic of the Fourth Division. Wigan, having beaten Blackpool and Northwich Victoria earlier, have now won themselves a place in the fourth round to face Everton at Goodison Park.

Poor Chelsea. After all their

a place in the fourth round to face Everton at Goodison Park.

Poor Chelsea. After all their euphora of last Saturday, they were now let down. It is easy to understand since the pitch was a lottery more suited to the skills of John Curry. It was a skaring rink. Chelsea, of course, should have won. But on this night it proved to be a nightmare for their usually dangerous striker Walker. Three times in the first quarter of an boar of the second half he missed virtually open goals, once being denied by a four star reflex save from five yards out by Brown under the Wiean crossbar.

In this spell, too, Fillery, one of the most articulate players in the conditions, volleyed a deep cross from the same Walker against an woright. Chelsea, indeed, might have been three or four ap in that spell. But it was not to be. To decipher events carefully and to give chapter and verse in the end produces nothing but flat footed statistics. But the fact is that Chelsea pressed most of the second half to neutralize the goal scored by Wigan five minutes from the interval.

Chelsea, in fact, might have charted their lines at that moment as Boughton put the half over from the right. But there was an understandable slip in the penalty area, and there was little Gore.

Football Correspondent
Among the interested parties awaiting the outcome of tonight's League Cup semi-final round first leg match between Swindon Town and Wolverhampton Wanderers, which is threatened by frost, will be the two north London first division clubs, Arsenal and Totrenham Hotspur. Arsenal will be curious to know whether their 4—3 defeat in Wiltshire in the fifth round was another case of a third division club playing above themselves. Tottenham will be auxious to know whether it was something of more lasting significance.

significance.
Tomenham visit Swindon in the

fourth round of the FA Cup on Saturday week, by which time their third division opponents may have become blase about confront-

ing first division opposition, having also beaten Stoke City in the League Cup. The indications are that the defeat of Arsenal in December was something more than a stroke of cup fortune.

Swindowski Firsters at Justin in

than a stroke of cup fortune.

Swindon's victory at Luton in the third round of the FA Cup was another sign of their ability for Luton had a formidable home record and are still considered one of the favourites for promotion to the first division. Swindon, themselves, are still insisting that all of this cup excitement is less important than their own promotion attempt, which has been hindered by the postponement of

Football Correspondent



Chelsea on ice: Langley tries to keep his balance as Gore,

the match winner for Wigan, skates in. a terrier all through, who lobbed home precisely from the edge of the penalty area having spotted Borota off his line. Any similarity between all this and true football might be said to have been coincidental. It was nondescript, but understandable on a pitch that reduced the game to a lottery.

As Chelsea kept up their pressure with a gleam of expectation from the 22,000 crowd, they were held at bay by the calm countal defence of Methyen and Davids, who had to thank their goalkeeper Brown for his saves under pressure. While Chelsea tried to create flowing moves on the ground, Wigan produced home-spun sen-

Missing straw Swindon's main concern

Manchester City, but Gray, their £1.5m forward, was at Wembley three years ago as an Aston Villa player and recalled that, against Everton, Villa failed to display the form that had made them one of the most promising sides of the 1970's. He was injured and did not appear in the second replay when Villa won.

The League's current leading goalscorer is in the Swindon side and cost only £80,600. Alan Mayes was bought from Watford over a

and cost only £80,000. Alan Mayes was bought from Watford over a year ago after he had been replaced by Blissett. He soon began to score goals, including three on his first appearance. He is now parmered in the attack by Rowland and their combined total this season is 42. Swindon's two goals against Barnsley on Saturday were scored by these lively forwards and Rowland scored against Luton and Arsenal.

forwards and Rowland scored against Luton and Arsenal.

Swindon have no injury problems, which will probably mean that Carter and Tucker take responsibility for marking Gray and Richards. Wolves have delayed making a decision whether to recall Hughes, the former England captain who has not played since December 21 because of recurring knee trouble. Hughes would dearly like to

Hughes would dearly like to recover his place because, if Wolves should make their way to

Wembley, he could find himself facing his former club, Liverpool,

who play Nottingham Forest in tomorrow's other semi-final

several matches. Managers always say that.

Should Swindon reach the final after their second leg is finished at Wolverhampton on February 13, they would appear for the second time, having won at Wembley against Arsenal in 1969.

Wolves have also won the trophy once, in 1974 when they bear tomorrow's other semi-final Hughes trained yesterday and at Hampden Park on May declared himself fit but Wolves him if the nitch remains firm. Swindon's have so far refused to ratify an hopes of covering the ground agreement between their secretary, Ernie Walker, and the FA's sectors have also won the trophy once, in 1974 when they bear

European draw may not have any seeds

and the further the game went, their confidence was gained by leaps and bounds.

At times there was a turmoil in the Wight penalty area as Chelsea pashed on with relentless regularity. But Wigan had their answer. Chelsea had to give them best having missed their chance. Defeat at the finish seemed to settle on them like a green mould. Chelsea: P. Borola: G. Lacke, J. Scarrow: K. Hries, G. Pates, G. Chivers: I. Britton, M. Filtery. T. Langly, G. Walker, R. Harris: Migan Athlettic: J. Brown; B. Wigan Athlettic: J. Brown; D. Fretwell, J. Blimban; T. Conc. G. Wigge, P. House by J. Conc. G. J. Wigge, P. House S. J. Conc. J. Keierie: D. Lloyd (Worts).

was still solid yesterday.

By the time Nottingham Forest play their tie tomorrow, they should know whether Charlie George, the Southampton and former Derby County and Arsenal forward, will join them

on a month's loan preparatory to a full transfer for a fee thought to be in the region of £500,000. First doubts over George's fliness have to be over-

come. Further

come.

Further complications have arisen in the life of Kevin Keegan. Last weekend the Italian clubs indicated that they would not be prepared to lift restrictions on foreign players, although it was pointed out that the final decision would have to be made by the Italian Football Association, who could be influenced by the Treaty of Rome regarding the free movement of labour within the EEC. But it seems that Keegan, himself, now feels that his suggested transfer from Hamburg to Juven-

self, now feels that his suggested transfer from Hamburg to Juvenius is in jeopardy.

SWINDON TOWN: J. Alian: R. Lexis. K. Stroud. R. McHale. W. Tucker. R. Carter. J. Miller. C. Kamara. A. Rowland. A. Mayes. B. Williams.

WOLVFRHAMPTON WANDERERS: (from) P. Bredshaw: G. Paimer. D. Parisi, J. McAle. G. Berty. W. Carr. K. Hibbitt. J. Richards, A. Gray. D. Thomas. W. Eves. W. Clarke, H. Alkinson, C. Brazier.

The council of the Football

plan not to ask for an allocation

# Not even pride can rescue Palace

Swansez Z Crystal Palace 1
It snowed last night for the first
time this winter in the capital city of Wales and a chill blanket of defeat settled inexorably around the shoulders of Crystal Palace once their second division oppononce meir second mysion opponents had discovered that again they more than matched their opponents in every department.

During the previous 210 minutes of this chief myst department. of this third round the Palace had only been in front for seven minutes—in the first meeting, which ended 2-2—but at Nirjan which ended 2.2—but at which has high they sensed first what the evening needed. An hour's hard driving snow before kick-off had eased by the time the reams came out but the ball skuted across the ground in the grassy parts and plugged in the muddy goelmouths and centre

muddy goelmouths and centre circle.
With two tall strikers in Tosback and Waddie, Swansea's opening salvoes, in front of what was virtually a home crowd, pumped hopeful high balls into the area, that carried little sting. The second time Palace got within range they scored; a twelfthminum conner on the cight hy minute corner on the right by Murphy bobbed from head to head around the six-yard box until Fenwick nodded on to Boyle, whose own lobbing header went well out of Letheran's reach. of Letheran's reach.

Despite this reversal the Welsh Club looked far more likely to score and with Callaghan, who was equalling Bobby Charlton's record of 84 FA Cup appearances, prompting skilfully in midfield, Waddle went close on two occasions.

ions. There was always the feeling that the second division side had more fire in their bellies and skill

in their souls and within eight infinites of the restart they were level. Charles, amazingly cool for one so young, won the ball in midfield and served Rushbury, bursting down the left. His cross to the near post was the perfect height and weight for James, who clinical precision.

Immediately Palace were reeling, with nothing—not even their first division pride—to sustain them. James, Toshack, Craig with a thunderous left-foot volley that cannoned off the crossbar, and

a thunderous left-foot folley that cannoned off the crossbar, and then Tosback again, who toe-ended wide of an open gozi, could all have thrown the finishing punch. When it came in the 59th minute, it was only just. craig, who throughout was quick to exploit an opening, saw Giles free on the left edge of the centre circle. Away he went, rounded the advancing Burridge, and slid the ball home with his left foot, Gile's triumphant salute to the popular hank was

to the popular bank was rapturously received — 16 months ago he was a Cardiff City player before moving to Wrexham for a short small. before moving to Wrexham for a short spell.

Palace's captain, Cannon, was booked for a foul on James and as the players came down the numel at the end of the match, the Welsh international. Walsh, was shown the red card by the referce, Mr Read, for a remark be made to him. Walsh had earlier been warned for fouls and abusive language.

SWANSEA CITY: G. Ledieren; arustu, D. Kuchbury, J. Charles, Milips, D. Güles, T. Caile, K. Jam Waddle, J. Toshack, I. Callaghan CRYSTAL PALACE: J. Burridge; Inshelyood, J. Caunon, S. Krmber

winger, who scored at Fratton Park, was again on target. The goal came after a left-wing corner by Proctor. Hodgson and

goal came after a left-wing corner
by Proctor. Hodgson and
Jankovic, a Yugoslav international, were involved before
Cochrane shot past Mellor.
Portsmouth failed to pose any
problems in the first half. Indeed
their only attempted 2021 was 2

their only attempted goal was a rather weak back-header by Garwood, who has proved an out-

# Middlesbrough move on briskly towards record

By a Special Correspondent Middlesbrough 3 Portsmouth 0 The difference in Football The difference in Football League status between these teams was clearly shown in this FA Cup third round replay. Portsmouth failed to recapture the first and aggression of the first tie at Fratton Park, and there was no question from the start who would qualify for a visit to Birmingham City on January 26th.

Middlesbrough, shaken out of their stride by the hustle and bustle of the fourth division side last week showed they meant

last week showed they meant business before their own sup-

nusiness before their own sup-porters. They were more positive and possessed the superior skill to vary the play.

Middlesbrough recognise that they were lucky to survive the first meeting. Now they must wonder whether an emerging side can enjoy a record run wonder whether an emerging side can enjoy a record run Middlesbrough have never even reached the semi-final round in their long history. John Neal, their manager, remarked before the replay that many teams had stumbled at the first attempt in the past and gone all the way to Wembley.

Middlesbrough opened with a flourish last night and the only

flourish last night and the only surprise was that a goal was delayed until the 27th minute. Cochrane, the Northern Ireland

Laidlaw, must have been dis-appointed on his return to born midfield player did not have a good game.

MIDDLESEROUGH: J. Plait: J. Craggs. P. Johnson, G. Hedley. A. Rumage. T. McAndrow. T. Cockrune. M. Proctor. D. Hodgson, B. Jankevic. D. Armstrong. M. Portrishond. P. McLior: J. McLaughlin. N. Viney. T. Brisley. S. Jankevic. C. Garwood. S. Bryent, A. Rogers. A. Rogers. A. Rogers.

Referee: T. D. Spencer (Salisbury)

#### Yesterday's results

FA Cup, third round

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#### Today's fixtures

Garwood, who has proved an out-standing marksman in the fourth division this season, topping the scoring list with 17 goals. Middlesbrough confirmed their superiority with goals in 63 and 64 minutes. Johnson, a talented young full back, had the thrill of scoring his first senior goal A mercang followed senior goal. Armstrong followed up by taking the ball round Mellor and shooting into an empty net.
The Portsmouth captain

Ayresome Park. The Clydesidern midfield player did not

FA Cup, third round replays

LEAGUE CUP: Semi-linal round.

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City (7.30:
WELSH CUP: Fourth round: Newport v Cardin (7.30:
SOUTHERN LEAGUE (7.30): Mid-

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v Dunstoble.
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City: Sunton v Leatherhead.
HOCKEY: Women's territorial
maiches. Midlands v West (at Derbyships CCC. Derby. 2.16; Midlands B
v West B (at Belper, 11.30).
LONDON LEAGUE: Chesm v Oxford
University.

# Rebuilding needed rather than inquisition

By Sydney Friskin

Hockey

By Sydney Friskin

The management of Britain's hockey team are taking stock after the disappointing results in Karachi where all six matches were lost in the Champious Trophy tournament. The need of the hour is not so much an inquisition as the task of reconstruction which cannot begin unless their selection for the Olympic Games, based on results up to Detember 31, 1979, is certain.

Amiers will be dispelled only

Amiety will be dispelled only on February 1, when the technical committee of the International Rockey Federation (FIH) meets in Cannes to confirm what already seems to have been decided, if the list now in the possession of one of its members is correct. According to the list of the list in control of the possession of the list now in the possession of one of its members is correct. According to the list of its members is correct. According to this list, 11 countries, including Britain, are sure of places in Moscow. They are: Pakistan, India, Australia, New Zealand, Netherlands, West Germany, the Soviet Union, Argentina, the African champions (still to be decided), Britain and Spain. twelfth place: Italy, Poland. Malaysia, Canada and Japan. Of these the best chances are believed to rest with Malaysia and Poland. Five countries are in line for the

believed to rest with Malaysia and Poland.

If all goes well for Britain in Cannes, the team manager and coach, Roger Self, has promised a revision of his programme, a new schedule from April to July. He has also said that the composition of the team will be reclewed, which could mean one or two changes. In pursuance of the policy of attack in Karachi, a search will be made for players who can run faster in a game which, on Astroturf, now resembles a race.

No one should imagine that the British team played badly in the Karachi rournament, which was not a classification event; the main lesson learnt there was that the team was under-prepared. In the six months preceding this tournament, the other participating countries had played more international matches. India went as far as Moscow, only to lose a tournament there to the Soviet Union on goal difference. Australia had only one training weekend in Perth before leaving for Karachi, but they had four full international matches against Ireland last September.

#### Match transferred

The first of the ten territorial women's hockey matches has been moved from Derby to Chelten-ham, Midlands play West at 2.15

#### Boxing

#### Board to remain silent pending Senate inquiry

The British Boxing Board of Control said last night that there would be no further official statement from them on the Willie Classen affair until the report of classen aftair until the report of the Senate investigation committee inquiring into the boxer's death.

Classen died after being knocked out in New York, having previously boxed in London where Toty Sibson, who then held the British middleweight title, stopped him in two rounds. It transpired that Classen did not hold a valid licence when he came to London nor medical clearance from his own commission.

tary, pointed out that Classen had been granted his licence again in New York, after taking a full medi-cal examination after the Sibson bout. "This included neurological tests as ordered by the New York State Athletic Commission. Since he was found to be fit after the Sibson contest he was presum-ably fit before it," Mr Clarke said. Mr Clarke said that Classen had been, examined by doctors in London twice before the Sibson bout, because he had arrived at short notice without medical clearance

from New York.

For the record

# McEnroe's behaviour graceful as his play

From Rex Bellamy Tennis Correspondent New York, Jan 14

New York, Jan 14

Misconduct marred both the big tournaments that took men's tennis into a new decade. World Championship Tennis, who promoted the doubles event at Olympia, fined lile Nastase about £2,300. No action has been taken against Jimmy Connors for obscenities while he was playing Bjorn Borg in the Masters tournament that ended yesterday at Madison Square Garden. In Philadelphia next week the five supervisors who organize the penalty point system and apply the code of conduct in Grand Prix events will consider means of enforcing the relevant rules more consistently.

A line judge is not empowered

A line judge is not empowered to report obscenities to the umpire, who must hear them himself before imposing a penalty point or reporting them to a supervisor, which could lead to a fine under the code of conduct. In this visor, which could lead to a fine under the code of conduct. In this match the umpire's hearing must have been remarkably intermittent if he was unaware of the disgusting rulgarities that embarrassed spectators close enough to understand what Connors was saying. One tennis official said that on such occasions umpires were afraid to do anything about it."

Dick Roberton the chief

"arraid to do anything about it".

Dick Roberson, the chief supervisor, said last night:
"This past year we have gone to basketball and hockey to study what other 'ego' athletes get away with. We have bought sears on the front row and we have talked to officials. We're going to study that information and relate it to tenmis. There are different traditions in different sports, but we're still dealing with young athletes. Personally I feel that we're looking at it more closely and trying to be harder than officials in other sports. They hardly police obscenities onless these are directed towards officials."

Un this question of court con-

Un this question of court conduct the past five days produced encouraging evidence that John McEnroe seems to be outgrowing a tendency to be boords when questioning decisions. His behaviour was almost as graceful as his shot-making. McEuroe con-firmed his stature as Borg's strongest challenger and twice came within two points of bearrame within two points of beating him. Moreover. McEnroe and Peter Fleming were overwhelming to the doubles. They had an easy win over Woltek Fibak and Tom Okker, who took Brian Gottfried and Raul Ramirez to five sets to the sets.

In the Olympia final.

Vitas Gerulaitis was shaking off a cold, but had a heartening tournament. On Friday he heat McEuroe, from whom he failed to take a set in their three matches last year, and on Saturday he beat Connors, who had defeated from in 16 consecutive matches. But in yesterday's final he ran into his friend and practice partner, Borg, who had won all 14 of their previous matches and was not exactly paralyzed by apprehension. Gerulaitis had told us that the beginning of the year was "a tough time to ger rolling.". But he did not play that way here—nor did Borg.

Borg needed 1D break points before a wayward forehand volley put Gerulaitis 2—3 down. In the next game Borg survived three break points before a backhand down the line took him to 4—2. He was never in trouble again, although he repeatedly had to demonstrate his astonishing speed and—even when stretching—his equally astonishing control of the racket head. Borg said later that beating all his close rivals and winning the Masters meant more to him than the first prize of 245,000. He had never won the Masters before and in eight attempts on three different surfaces he has never won the United States championship. But at last he has proved himself to New Yorkers.

Including the bonus for winning his group in the all-play-all series. Borg collected £50,000 for 12 sets of crowded lonelines. in the Olympia final.
Vitas Gerulaitis was shaking of?

Including the volues for winning his group in the all-play-all series, Borg collected £50,000 for 12 sets of crowded loneliness. Yesterday's 17,642 spectators saw only 74 minutes of tennis. Over five days, the average attendance for each of the nine sessions was 13,556. For the crowd, tennis is an exciting, refined, version of the more primitive "singfests" that made Madison Square Garden renowned.

#### Britain could lose place in first division

Britain, who won the King's Cnp competition four years in succession from 1964-1967, are now in danger of losing their place in the first division after being heaten 2—1 by Sweden at Sheffield. The defeat, Britain's third in a week, leaves the injury-int team at the bottom of their group in the European indoor championships.

Rowever, Paul Butchins, the British team manager, is far from disheartened. "I am convinced that we are right to play an experimental side", he said after last night's defeat. His original selections, Richard

His original selections, Richard Lewis and Jonathan Smith, are both out for weeks and the side was weakened still further when the 22-year-old Derbyshire player, Andrew Jarrett, pulled a muscle in training and had to be replaced by Rohun Beven,

by Konun Beven,

Beven, a sturdy Sussex lefthander, started confidently against
Per Hjertquist, the 20-year-old
Swedish No. 3, and won five successive games for the loss of just
four points on his way to a brilliant
opening set. But Hjertquist showed
infinite patience and waited for Beven to make the mistakes. When he did the young Swede went on to win, 2-6, 6-4, 6-1.

Sweden clinched the match by winning the top singles following a disappointing performance from Robin Drysdale, the 27-year-old No. 4 from Colchester, Drysdale, who lost 7—5. 6—4 to Kiell Johansson, is a solid player in support of Mottram, but when thrust into the leadership as he has been in this series of matches, his play has been far too tentative. far too tentative.

OTHER RESULTS: Budapest: Div

one, group B: Hungary beat France.
2—1. Essen: Division one, group A:
W. Germany beat Czechoslovekla, 2—1.
Brasov: Division two, group B: Romania
beat Finland, 2—1. Opporto: Division
two, group C: Italy beat Portugal, 3—0.

# Mrs Lloyd 'not so eager

and hungry

Cincinnati, Jan 14.—Tracy
Austin continued her mastery over
Chris Lloyd, winning their
championship match yesterday,
6—2, 6—1, in a \$150,000 (about
£75,000) women's tournament
here. Miss Austin, who has now
beaten Mrs Lloyd three times in
the last two weeks, dominated the
match from start to finish. The
17-year-old reigning United Stares
Open champion, played nearly
flawless tennis, forcing the usually
patient Mrs Lloyd to make errors.

Miss Austin served two aces in Miss Austin served two aces in Miss Austin served two aces 110 the final game, which took even her by surprise. "I can't remember the last time I served an ace", Miss Austin said. She collected \$30.000 (£15,000) for the victory, winning 10 straight sets during the week-long tournament. Miss Austin had not beaten Mrs Lloyd until a year ago, but has since won seven of their nine matches, including the United States Open. "A year ago I hadn't beaten her so it's always a question of confidence", she said.
"It's always toughest to heat someone the first time, getting over that little bill ".

Mrs Lloyd, who at one point won 56 straight matches and was the first woman player to win Sim on the tennis tour, said being married last year and having played in many championship helped make her a bit blase in her approach to the tour.

"It's not life or death anymore". Mrs Lloyd, aged 25, said about her rivalry with Miss Austin. "I think it's because I've been playing so long. I have beaten Tracy and I know that if I am eager and bungry, I can beat her. I'm just not that eager and hungry now."

DOUBLES FINAL: Miss L. Dupont and Miss P. Shriver boat Miss A Kiyomura, and Miss M. Jausovec I Yugoslavia 1. 6—3. 6—5.—AP.

# Ron Greenwood, the England manager, and Ted Croker, the sectoratory of the Football Association, fly to Italy for the European championship draw still uncertain whether UEFA will seed any of the eight finalists. With Greece the only unrated team to reach the Racing

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By Our Racing Correspondent
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# Bozovici sold for six-figure sum



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Bozovici becomes the first howe that Mademe Binet has bad in training in Eugland. Last year he carried the colours of Barry Demetriou, whose own classic hopes for the New Year naw rest with Romeo Romani, who won the Norfolk Stakes at Royal Ascot last summar and later finished third to Mocteverdi in the Dewhurst Stakes. It is Madame Eluct's fervent hope that Bozovici will prove good enough to run in the 2,000 Guineas and the Derby. As he was considered to be only 7 bb behind the best last year by the Jockey Cheb's handicapper, Groffrey Gitts, he will not have to improve much to realise that is hopeful that Bozovici will not let his record down.

Still on the bloodstock front, but much nearer home there will be another sale of shares and nominations in stallions at the Berkeley Hotel in London today. These will be sold by Tattersalls in conjunction with the British Bloodstock Agency and their lists off. third to Moctaverdi in the Dawhurst Stakes. It is Madame Bluet's
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Ryan Price: keeping charge of the classic hope, Bozovici. warmer at Wetherby where racing is scheduled to take place today.

is scheduled to take place today. Provided that the weather does not interfere at a late stage visitors to the Yorkshire course will be treated to a fascinating clash between Little Owl and Badsworth Boy in the Collingham Novices Steeplechase. The distance will suft Badsworth Boy, but I prefer Little Owl, who made so many friends at Newcastle last Friday when he won his first steeplechase. In contrast Badsworth Boy fell in his first steeplechase at Warwick a day later. worth Boy fell in his first steeple-chase at Warwick a day later.

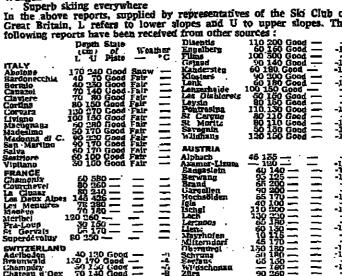
Meetings off: Today's fixture at Wolverhampton has been abandoned because of frost and snow. Commander Ford, the clork of the course, said: "There are three inches of snow on the course and it is still snowing." Wolverhampton is the 29th meet-ing to be lost this season follow-ing the abandonment of yester-day's programme and Chepstow. STATE OF GOING (official): Weinerby, soft, Tomorrow; Physician, soft, Kelso, soft.

Irish Derby increase Record prize money will be on offer in all the lrish classics at the Curragh this year. The Sweeps Derby on June 28 will have a first prize of over £100.000, the first lime it has gone into six figures. LETOME'S SITE, FERMON. 10 110378
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Sports Council

#### SA cricket star denounces **British mission**

Cape Town. Jan 14.—The South African cricket star, Eddie Barlow, said today there was no point in giving evidence to the British fact-finding mission eximining apartheid in sport. "The problem does not lie with sport but with the system", he told reporters.

Barlow, the captain of Western Province, was in the news last week when he said he would never again eat in racially-segregated restaurants because his coloured team colleague. Omar Henry, had been banned from a whites-only restaurant here.

Earlier Barlow had said that he would see the British mission, led by Dick Jeeps, but only to tell them that pothing had really charged.

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Today he said there was no point in such a meeting: sport merely accentuated what was wrong with separate development, he said. "What must be resolved is a social and human-relations problem".

Barlow agreed that there might now be mixed teams, which he -4 now be mixed teams, which he had not thought possible in the 2 past, but said this did not imply

5 past, but said this did not imply significant progress because the apartheid laws had not been scrapped. When a reporter suggested that scrapping all apartheid laws would lead to one-man, one-vote and black majority rule. Barlow replied: "is that so wrong?" First impressions suggested that traces of legally-enforced apartheid still persist in sport in South Africa, the bead of the French fact-finding mission, Bernard Marie, said in Durban.

His comments followed meepings the mission had in Cape Town yesterday with two long-standing opponents of apartheid, the president of the South African Countil of Sports, Hassan Howa, and the Rev Allan Hendrickse, leader of the coloured Labour Party. Mr Howa, who at first refused to meet the mission, is vigorously opposed to the resumption of any inter-national sporting link with South Africa until all trace of apartheid

has disappeared. Mr Marie, who said that a copy of his mission's report would be seat to Mr Howa, said he was disappointed that the con-can Amateur Summing Federa-president, Morgan disappointed that the South Afrition, whose president. Morgan Naidoo, is of Indian origin, was refusing to meet the delegation.

# Yorkshire day-even without Boycott Huggett announces

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Sydney, Jan 14

If ever a game was snatched from the jaws of defeat, it was this one. Needing 164 to beat Australia in the world series cup, England were 61 for six when Bairstow joined Gooch. At 105, Gooch was out, but Bairstow played so sensibly and Emburey and Stevenson laid about themselves to such effect that England won in the end by two wickets with seven balls to spare.

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At one time England lost five wickets for 30 runs on a good pilch. The curator had remembered the covers this time so that, in spite of heavy overnight rain and further showers this morning, the match started on time and the pitch was a beauty for batting. All the more remarkable, therefore, that Australia should have lost their last six wickets for 15 runs even before England's now customary collapse.

Although Lillee was made the man of the match, for bowling

man of the match, for bowling beautifully and taking four wickets for 12 runs in his 10 overs, rither Gooch or Stevenson might as well have been, Gooch's immings of 69 was the best of the day, or the day and the night to be more precise, and Stevenson, on one of his few appearances of the tour, carried all before him, taking four Australian wickets for 33 runs, running out a fifth off his own bowling and scoring 28 of the last 35 runs England still needed when

35 runs England still needed when he came in.
Stevenson's winning stroke, high over extra cover for four off Thouson, was the last straw. It would have been untihinkable against Thomson a year or two ago, but not any more. It could have been the last ball Thomson will ever bowl against England. Fit though he looks, he labouranow. Gone is the seering pace and the frightening bounce. If a little sad to see, it is, nonetheless, an almighty relief.

England's victory, their fourth in a row against Australia in the world series cup, means that Australia ere out of the competition if West Indies beat England in Adelaide on Wednesday. If England wit then, their opponents in the three-leg final will be decided by, Friday's match between Australia and West Indies here in Sydney.

trakia and West Indies here in Sydney.
Anstralia can still come to the financial rescue of their Cricket Board. But, if they are to do so, West Indies will need to lose both their remaining matches. The three sides play eight qualifying matches each and, at the moment, England have 11 points from seven matches. West Indies five from six and Anstralia four from seven.

Eatting tonight for only the second time under lights, England were deprived of one of the six toters when it fused. Tim Caldwell, the "referee" and a former chairman of the Australian Cricket Board, told them they could appeal Board, told them they could appeal against it if they wished to but,

to fly over



Embracing delight and despair: Bairstow congratulates Stevenson, his Yorkshire colleague, on running out Dymock.

happily, they refrained from doing so. It might have made a difference in the twilight hour, I suppose, when a batsman needs all the watts he can get, but even then Gooch played as though it was a beautiful midsummer's day—and an official said, as though it was what mattered most of all, it was all right for television.

They are a complete from doing nothing quite like beating Australia. What has to be decided now is whether Stevenson, Lever and Emburey, all of whom did well, whose places they took today. The first three came in to give them some cricket should they be needed for the finals. But would

all right for television.

They are a couple of spirited Yorkshire lads, Bairstow and Stevenson, and it was good to see the joy England's victory gave them. As the Australians made their forlorn way back to Sydney's green and turreted paylion, the Yorkshiremen jumped for joy. Even when they are wearing yellow

Hughes put on 59 for the fourth wicket. All four played well enough to suggest that Australia would finish with many more than they did. With 10 overs still left, Australia were 143 for three. But one after another they succeeded in getting themselves out.

Brearley cangin McCosker at wide mid-off and Wiener, making room to hit Emburey on the off side, was stumped. Ian Chappell sweet Emburey to deep square leg and his brother, Greg, and Hughes were both caught at midwicket. Stevenson, coming back for a second spell, removed Greg Chappell, Marsh, Lillee and Pascoe. At the end of Australia's inuings, the way was made for Stevenson, the way was made for Stevenson, the way was made for Stevenson to so off fore. Is a full-time affair and at 121 can't expect to compete effectively with the world's best players. golf. The 1980 season, his 20th on the circuit, will be his last.

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Huggert won 18 major tournaments and made six appearances in the Ryder Cup and played nine times for Wales in the World Cup. His victories included the stroke-play and matth-play championships and the Dunlop Masters. His most recent, in the open rournament,

looked a mile pured and not a little pleased and, for him, the day was yet young.

England started well, Gooch and Larkins making 31 in 12 overs before Larkins drove Lillee to mid-on. The next 12 overs were disastrous for England, with Willey, Gower, Brearley, Randall and Botham all couling and going. Having been reduced to 61 for six by Lillee and Greg Chappell, England were relying on "constable" Gooch and the "groundstaff".

It may have been as much because Australia felt by now they were sure to win and England thought they were sure to lose that England won. If Australia thought that it was hardly surprising—having not heard of Stevenson before—they could not have expected him to come in and, on top of his bowling, hit 28 in four overs. Even without Boycott, it was Yorkshire's day.

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# Brian Huggert, the Ryder Cup captain in 1977, noday, authounces his retirement from tourbament golf. The 1988 season, his Zoth on the circuit, will be his last. "I want to flatsh while I'm still a decent player," Huggert says. "I wouldn't want to go on to the point where I'm taking 78s and 80s every time I go out. My business interests are increasing and it's getting harder and harder to get out on to the practice ground. Professional golf, more than ever before, is a full-time affair and at 43 I can't expect to compete effectively with the world's best players on a part-time basis. "I consider myself very lucky to have been part of a profession with so few baddies in it. Consider myself very lucky to have been part of a profession with so few baddies in it. Consider ing the high stakes and the opportunities to get uptight and lose your temper, golf easily comes top of the fair play league. My only regrets are not improving on a second and third in the Open Championship and not figuring in a Ryder Cup victory. I thought I'd holed the winning put at Royal Birkchel in 1959 but it ended up a halved match." Hugger twon 18 major tournaments and made six appearances in the Ryder Cup and played nine times for Wales in the World Cup. His victories included the strokeplay and match-play championships and the Dunlop Masters. His most recent, in the open tournament, and respected for a generation.

Huggett: finding it harder to practice.

#### Famous players West Indians cruise home to a capital victory for Lord's Test

Sir Donald Bradman and Harold Sir Donald Bradman and Harold Larwood, adversaries in many a Test, are among 100 special cricket personalities likely to watch the Centenary Game between England and Australia at Lord's in August. The two are being invited by the Test and County Cricket Board along with all Australians who have played all Australians who have played Test cricket in this country and former England players now living in Australia—Tony Lock, Frank Tyson, Peter Loader and Barry Knight, in addition to Larwood. beyond them and struggled to 140 for nine off their aflotted overs.

The match took on extra importance for West Indies after their one-day international against England in Melbourne on Satur-

the national Airline of Indonesia, had agreed to transport the players as part of their launching campaign, and would do so free of charge in exchange for advertising promotion on English grounds during the summer. This will save the board something in the region of £75,000, and is in addition to the ex-gratial payment of £90,000 from Cornstill Insurance to help the staging of the game.

The party will arrive on August 21, seven days before the Test Richards, Alvin Kallicharran and Collis King, all nursing injuries. King was admitted to the Royal Melbourne Hospital with sinusids last week was released on Saturday. However, it soon became evident that they would not be needed, as Haynes and Greenidge tore the Territory attack apart. The first 50 came up in 48 21, seven days before the Test starts, and depart on September 4, two days after it ends.

What has to be decided now is whether Stevenson, Lever and Emburey, all of whom did well, should play on Wednesday in place of Dilley, Willis and Underwood, whose places they took today. The first three came in to give them some cricket should they be needed for the finals. But would the next one-day team be better for having them? The selectors have a difficult and healthy problem here.

Australia had made 82 before they lost their second wicket and 148 before they lost their fourth. McCosker and Wiener began with an opening partnership of 74, in

Canberra, Jan 14.—The West Indians warmed up for Wednesday's one-day international against England with a comfortable win over Australian Capital Territory by 121 runs in a limited overs match here today. An opening stand of 101 between Gordon Greenidge and Desmond Haynes for 50, but Rowe, Clive Lloyd, Larry Gomes and Derek Parry continued the onslaught. The 150 came up in 128 minutes and ists to 261 for four off their 50 overs. ACT found the target well beyond them and struggled to 140 afterwards for 50, but Rowe, Clive Lloyd, Larry Gomes and Derek Parry continued the onslaught. The 150 came up in 128 minutes, the 200 just 31 minutes later and the final 61 runs were plundered in only 22 minutes. Rowe's innings was the highlight of the match. He hammered the bowlers all over the picturesque Manuka Oval, scoring six fours and two sixes in his 92-minute knock.

The home team's hopes of get-Tyson, Peter Luch, marketing manager for the TCCB, announced this along with the news that Garuda, the national Airline of Indonesia, had agreed to transport the players as part of their launching campaign, and would do so free of charge in exchange for additional control on English.

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Lloyd gave the batting heroes, Greenidge, Rowe and Haynes, a rare chance to bowl, Roberts and Joel Garner each took three wickets. SCORES: West Indians, 261 for 4 (L. G. Bowe 88 not out), C. G. Grenidge 57, D. Haynes 50; ACT, 140 for 9 (A. M. E. Roberts 5 for 16, J. Garner 5 for 18).—Beuter,

#### Patil could win first Test cap for India

Madras, Jan 14.—Sandeep Patil, who scored a double century at almost a run a minute in India's Ramji Trophy lest week, could win his first cap here tomorrow against Paldstan. He is in India's party of 12 for the fifth Test in the six match series, which they lead 1—0. He may replace off spinner Shvial Yadav, although Yadav has taken 30 wickets in nine consecutive Tests since he made his first appearance against Australia last September.

character, favouring both spinners and quick bowlers, and has pro-duced more definite results than any other Indian Test ground. Only two of the last eight matches Pakistan, who must win to have

a chance of victory in the series, have been bolstered by the return to form of Majid Khan. He hit a to form of Majid Khan. He hit a century to help them beat East Zone in two days and the form in the case of the ca

# Stadler rides high on the lonely Indian Wells trail

ns first one in roll years on the professional circuit. He and Nelson are on 276 after 72 holes. 12 under par, having completed one round on each of four desert courses. With a day's delay due to rain last week, the tournament is set to end with the final 18 holes at 1.8 owints. des at La Ominta.

Nelson, the first man off the tee at La Quinta yesterday, railled from the potential disaster of a seven on his second hole and finished with a 71 that enabled him to continue to share in the lead he has held for three rounds. Stadler, playing in relative solitude at Indian Wells, while Bob Hope and his show business friends cavorted before the cumeras at La Quinta, had the lead alone much of the round. But he dropped back into a tie when he bogeyed his seventeenth hole—

Palm Springs, Jan 14.—A round of 69, three under par, gave Craig Stadler the joint lead with Larry Nelson in the Bob Hope Desert Classic. Stadler is a former United States amateur champion seeking his first title in four years on the professional circuit. He and Victor Regalado, who shared the trider round lead with Nelson took were one stroke benind, on 277. Sullivan had a 71 in the warm sunshine at Bermuda Dunes and Purtzer shot 69 at La Quinta. Victor Regalado, who shared the third-round lead with Nelson, took three putts from two feet on one hale at Resymula Dunes for 73 and hole at Bermuda Dunes for 73 and feil to 278.

Arnold Palmer, three under par
for 36 holes, failed to make the 78 before the massive gallery that followed him and his amateur partners Hope, former President Gerald Ford and actor Jackie Gleason. That put Palmer at 294,

Gleason. That put Palmer at 294, too high a store to qualify SCORES: 276: L. Nelson. 70. 65, 70. 71: C. Stadier. 69, 68, 70. 69, 277. T. Purtzer. 70. 70, 68, 69; M. Sullivan. 71. 70. 65, 71: G. Cade. 70, 67. 68, 73. 279. R. Murphy. 70. 67. 68, 73. 279. R. Murphy. 70. 69, 69, 71: M. Mayer. 59, 69, 70, 71: L. Wadkins. 74, 66, 58, 71. 280, D. Hill. 74, 70, 69, 67: J. Colbert. 74, 72. 66, 68: S. Simpson. 69, 67. 71, 73. 292. P. Oosterhuls, 76, 75, 71.

Rugby Union

# RFU refuse request for postponement of final

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The RFU have rejected a request from the chairman of the national selectors, Budge Rogers, that the final of the county championship (sponsored by Thorn) between Lancashire and Gloucestershire at Vale of Lune, on February 9, should be postponed. The match, which could involve perhaps eight or nine England players, comes a week after the international against France in international against France in-Paris, and a week before that against Wales at Twickenbarn. against Wales at Twickentam.

Although conceding that the county final would help to keep his top players fully motivated, Mr Rogers is concerned that men with minor bumps and bruises, inevitably will play at Vale of Lune when in other circumstances, they would take a prudent rest. However, the RFU Secretary, Air Commodore Bob Weighill, said yesterday, that the union

executive committee, had decided, with some reluctance, that since all arrangements had been made, the publicized date must stand. He did not say so, but it is probable that the new sponsors of the championship, who get little enough television exposure for their outlay, were keen to stick to a day when BBC cameras are contracted to be on hand.

The Irish No 8, Willie Duggan, who was detained in hospital in Dublin on Sunday night, was released yesterday and passed fit to play at. Twickenham next Saturday. Duggan suffered dizziness and stomach pains at the Irish training. The doctors have now confirmed that he had a mild virus.

virus.

There remains the doubt about the Irish wing, Freddie McLennan, who has been troubled by a hamstring twinge for most of the season. A decision about his fitness has been deferred until later in the week.

# Colts championship gets some pointed help

By Peter West

The England colts county championship, hitherto confined to five regions, will be carried to a logical conclusion at the end of this season with quarter-final, semi-final and final rounds. This is thanks to the intervention of Wilkinson Sword, who provided valuable assistance for the England 19 group tour of Australia and New Zealand last summer.

It was announced in London yesterday that the company expected to provide between £4,000 and £5,000 this season, almost all of it going towards ever increasing travel costs. Next season, when supporting all 61 games from the outset of the competition, the company appears happily reconciled to picking up a more substantial bill. The competition, the company appears happily reconciled to picking up a more substantial bill. The competition will now be known officially as the Wilkinson Sword Colts County Championship and all future winners will receive a handsome, not to say lethal-looking, trophy.

The RFU president, Alec. Ramsay, said that boys generally were not playing as many games as they used to do, and the Union's challenge was to ensure that no talented young player was to ensure that no talented young player that no talented young player that no talented young player in the respective figures about the last two 19 group sides to tour Australia. In 1974 they had 19 players from state schools and six from independent: in 1979 (when two extra players were taken) the respective figures were taken to reflect a dramatic upsurge of talent from the independent schools but rather a worrylog decrease in the number of good players emerging through the state system.

This makes it more welcome than ever that the RFU now have that the RFU now have their organization of colts rugby.

# England never better prepared, Beaumont says

ship match of the season, land's captain Bill Beaumont was training enthusiastically again at the Fylde Club last evening and concentrating his mind on the job of beating Ireland, Peter West in February, rather than later on in March.

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Having spent his weekend at Bisham Abbey, preparing rigorously for the first champton-ship match of the season, England's captain Bill Beamont was would be nice having those two training enthusiastically again at the Fylde club last evening and concentrating his mind on the job of beating Ireland, Peter West writes.

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Murphy does", he said. "You ling weekend more optimistic than ever. I think we've got all the basics right, in theory anyway, and I can say that it's the best prepared England side I've ever been associated with. It's obvious the match is mind on the job of beating Ireland, Peter West in February, rather than latter out in March.

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must get some points on the board and see what happens from there." The draw for the Hospitals Cup The draw for the Hospitals Cup rugby competition is: FHEST ROUND: January 15: Guy'-y Charing Cross (at St. George's ground: Middlesex v St. Thomas's (Charing Cross ground) January 17: St. George's v Royal Fred (St. Thomas's ground: King's College v University College (Guy's ground): Byes to second round (January 29 and 31) St. Mary's (holdery): London, West-munster, St. Barbelonew's

Noel Murphy outlines his simple approach to success on the tour of South Africa

# Man who can take away fear of Lions

Noel Murphy, the Irish man who will coach the British Lions rugby team in South Africa, brings his national side to London this week end and sees the match against England as a make-or-break affair. "If we can win this one ", he said, "we can let the game in Paris look after itself and concentrate on beating Scotland and Wales in Dublin and winning the triple crown". His artitude is no less realistic than that of the English who, with away games in Paris and Edinburgh to follow, reflect what a difficult season it will be if they should lose their first match.

Springboks. "That hurt", he admits. "But you get over your disappointments and it seemed worse when I was left out for two seasons later on".

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Murphy is a rarity among the rugby fraternity—a strict trestotal-ler as well as a non-moker. But that does not make him remotely sanctimonious in his reactions to the indulgences of others. "You've only got one life to live", he says, "and, if you live it well, then once is enough ".

There is a permanent chuckle around the eyes as he counts the blessings a full life has brought him. "Parents, family, rugby, business, coaching—I seem to have had the breaks ar the right time." His father, a former president of the Irish Union, played for his country in the 1930s and was manager of the tour to South Africa in 1961 when his son was dropped from the side to meet the

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Wales.

It was widely believed in the valleys that Murphy was punished for something heinous he had done at the bottom of the pile, but there was good reason for believing that Wales had hatched a plan to stiffe "noisy" Murphy's nuisance value as a computsively garralous talker on the pitch. Murphy says he will go to his maker with a clear conscience. Anyway, he did not enjoy what went on in that masty encounter, and thought it a good time to hang up his international boots.

He has five sons and a daughter, he is a director of a substantial cash-and-carry business in Cork and, until his recent appointment, he had one remain-

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holder for another five days. Ing rugby ambition—to become president of his old club, Cork Constitution. Now, having reached the top rung of the coaching ladder, he has one more. That is for the 1980 Lions to be as successful in South Africa as the

1974 side under another Irish coach, Syd Millar, and to play if their own strengths and the opposition allow, the best rugby of which they are capable.

Murphy has a simple approach to the job. "Of course a side must play to its strength", he said, "and I do not think you can do more than excourage one to play to the limit of its ability. But I hope I am always conscious that it is a 15a-side game, and I believe that 15 men doing the wrong thing on a rugby field is better than a dozen doing the right thing and three the other. It is a game of communication, in thought and attion, and it has to be kept basically simple".

He-conceded that coaching of unit sidlis among bark players. "But it's very hard", he added "for an international coach to get his players consistently to run with the ball if they're not in the habit of doing it for their club "Players often kick the ball out of fear—through a lack of confidence in their own ability or in the skills of their nearest neighbors." dence in their own ability or in the skills of their nearest neigh-bours. So kicking becomes the safest option. One of my prin-cipal jobs as a coach is to cut out that fear."

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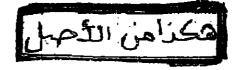
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#### THE ARTS

# London debuts

David Josefowitz, who conducted the New Chamber Soloists in his first London concert, comes to us from America where he did sterling work in the expansion of the recorded repertory just after the war and in the early days of long players. He obtained warm, lively and spruce performances from his players, moulding phrases with much affectionate detail. A brisk, no-nonsense account of Mozart's little D major Divertimento, K136, set the work firmly in its place. nicely balanced and with proper attention to short and long graces; there was a slight tendency to hurry at cadences, perhaps from concern to keep the music going. When structure allowed a

cadence to be marked, Mr Jose-fowitz responded gratefully— there was such an example in the finale of Mozart's A major Violin Concerto which had Christian Ferras as the elegant, stylish soloist, well supported by this conductor and his forces. Another concerto, Vivaldi's opus 3, No 11 in D minor, for two violins and cello (familiar in the old days through a transcription by J. S. Bach) went a little less well, perhaps because the excellent cellist was separated from his violinist collegates by the conductors the leagues by the conductor; the Largo was appreciatively played by Barry Wilde. Mr Josefawirz's qualities as interpreter were most generously in evidence when we came to Schubert's fifth symphony. This was a ripe, devoted reading in which melodies—especially in the Andante—were sayoured to the full, and tempi varied when expression seemed to warrant it, rather in the romantic

#### backed them. William Mann

rradition. The results sometimes

sounded extravagantly fulsome

but there was no doubting the knowledge and love which

The Jugoslav violinist Miha Pogačnik first appeared in London when there was no Times to salute his refined artistry in unaccompanied Bach. Returning to the Wigmore Hall with the Hungarian planist Tibor Szász, he devoted the whole evening to Beethoven. Presumably playing his re-nowned 1698 Stradivarius he produced tone not large but of great lyrical beauty, which together with his wholly unforced natural fluency gave the early "Spring" sonata a win-ning innocence. In the C minor sonata, Opus 30 No 2, he was no drama of the outer movements needed a wider range of dynamics and the Adagio more intensity of expression. The "Kreutzer" confirmed the suspicion that as a Reethoven picion that as a Beethoven interpreter Mr Pogačnik, still only 30. is more of a classical reproducer than a romantic recreator. Neither he nor his ready-fingered partner has yet made this music quite enough his own, as the saying goes, though both musicians were unfailingly on their toes and very ready to listen to each other.

Joan Chissell

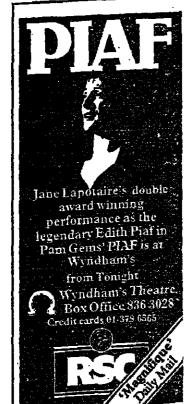
#### Amoco expands its support for WNO

Following the success of the Amoco Festival of Opera at the Dominion Theatre in December. Amoco's support for Welsh National Opera is being expanded over several areas of the company's work. Having sponsored the recording of Verdi choruses released just before Christmas, Amoco will contribute towards the costs of a complete recording of WNO's Tristan und Isolde conducted by Reginald Goodall.

by Reginald Goodall.
Other Amoco sponsored projects for 1980-81 include a new production to be specially mounted for touring in Wales and a bursary scheme to underwrite additional members of the WNO chorus. Next season's Amoco Festival of Opera in London has yet to be announced, but negotiations are in progress to bring over a major foreign opera company. Welsh National Opera's next London season is scheduled for London season is scheduled for April, 1982.

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Elephant, by David Jones, from the Seven and Five Society exhibition; and an illustration for Walpurgis Night, from Goethe's Faust, by Harry Clarke, on show at the Ulster Museum, Belfast

# Clarke's subtle taste for the perfumed sinner

Harry Clarke Ulster Museum, Belfast

The Seven and Five Society

Michael Parkin

Malcolm Arbuthnot, 1874-1967

In a world which dotes on

Regent Street Polytechnic and Blond Fine Art

Arthur Rackham, finds the serious illustrations of Heath Robinson again more interesting than his funny machines, and has somehow contrived to turn the recent clearance of Jessie M. King's bits and pieces into "one of the most important studio sales of the century", it was no doubt inevitable that Harry Clarke's turn for study and revaluation would come up. But the inevitable often takes rather a long time to happen, and it is one of those unsurprising surprises that the last comprehensive showing of his work before the one at present in Belfast (Cork next month) was 55 years ago, staged by the artist himself in his new stained-glass studios in Dublin when he was 36 years old and few, even among his closest associates, guessed that he had only five more years to live.

To people this side of the Irish Sea the mention of stained glass may seem odd: if he has been known at all it has been for his handful of superb illustrated books like Poe's Tales of Mystery and Imagination (1919), Faust (1925) and the Selected Poems Imagination of Swinburne (1928). But in fact stained glass was his family background and his central occupation throughout his pro-fessional life. His father was a

Guarneri Ouartet

Stanley Sadie

Sequeira Costa

Joan Chissell

Queen Elizabeth Hall

Sequeira Costa, the Portuguese

and Ravel, with Schumann's Etudes Symphoniques, rejected

variations and all, standing

alone in the first half.

Queen Elizabeth Hall

"Mainly Beethoven" was all Beethoven on Sunday when the

the current South Bank series. They began characteristically,

easing suavely into the gentle question mark and its comfort-

ing up more or less where Morris and Burne-Jones had left off, he proceeded, under the unlikely influence of Beardsley, to develop his own highly personal graphic style in glass staining and painting, so that of all the artists working in the medium during this period of mostly rather pallid, ghastly-good-taste ecclesiastical design he is the only one whose work is instantly recognizable are much for its strong nizable, as much for its strong and subtle design as for its rich and barbaric colouring. The book illustrations, though important, were some-

thing of an anuexe to this extraordinarily prolific and successful career. But at least there is absolute stylistic consistency in Clarke's work, whether he is celebrating saints or exploring the per-verse and sinister worlds of Poe or Walpurgisnacht. It must Poe or Walpurgisoacht. It must be said, though, that he seems in general happier with perfumed sinners than the odour of sanctity: the key work here is probably his much-praised, prize-winning window The Unhappy Judas of 1913, when Judas, gaunt and richly dressed in yellow, the "colour of deceit", is shown large-scale hanging by a noose and seemingly nailed to the sky with the thirty pieces of silver, the thirty pieces of silver, while above his dead body, much smaller, is being carried off by angels who clearly mean it no good. A religous subject, certainly, but seen from the sort of morbid and exotic sadomasochistic angle that Gustave Moreau and the French Deca-dents would have recognized

and approved. Surely rather strong stuff for a church? Not that this particular win-dow seems ever to have been destined for a church. But an astonishing number of his gaunt and decadent figures, worn out with the contempla-tion of strange sins, did in fact find happy homes in otherwise his business as a church dec- ings. For that matter, it is sur- Towards the end it was futuristic linecut hymns to and documents, with some orator in Dublin in the 1880s prising to find his characteris- riven by disputes, particularly speed is, however, sober, paintings, that at Blond is all

where precision of balance is where precision of balance is all important, the effect was apt to be blurred. The best things here came in the last two movements, the scherzo properly intense and explosive, with an unremitting thrust to its rhythm, the finale big, taut, energetic. Television

energetic. It was impressive; and yet, at the same time, it seemed slightly beside the true point of this "Quartetto Serioso". Guarneri Quartet contributed to This is intellectual music, too, and its intensity ought not to be quite so exclusively physical. question mark and its comforting resolution that open the D major quartet from op 18, then alerting themselves, as it were, when the music becomes more vigorous and more decisive. The Andante was carefully balanced, inner lines being pressed to the fore when they bore special weight, but it was played warmly and smoothly rather than with any keen sense of its emotional import. In the finale they played with brilliance, glitter and strength. Their leader Arnold Steinhardt has a fine, sweet silvery tone, it mattered still more in the first movement, music that needs to be something more than fast, violent and venement. The peaceful elements—the soaring violin phrases; the aspiring inner triplets—need stronger definition before they are swallowed up in the prevail-

are swallowed up in the prevaling desperation; here one felt that their sense and their import had been passed by.

In op 135 I relished the care and the clarity they brought to bas a fine, sweet silvery tone, not at all a typical quartet player's sound; there is some-thing of the soloist's manner to the first movement, and their vigour in the scherzo (in particular the forceful shaping of the trio). But the Lento brought his playing too. The quartet has a strong middle, a prompt and careful second violin and a rich out again their occupation with the music's surface, not its substance: surely that last page ought to speak not only of beauty but also of agony and of stoicism? viola; the cello came over as rather ill defined. In the fugal music of the op 95 Allegretto,

> least damaging solution is to insect them as a self-contained group midway through. That is what Richter does, and so, on Sunday, did Mr Costa.

There was much to enjoy in the warmth of his feeling for the music, and equally in his pianist, now a professor at Kansas University, does not firmly expansive command of the notes. Now and again he allowed texture to sound a hit visit these shores as often as thick, nor least in the ardent many of his colleagues. He many of his colleagues. He No 2, where he did not suffi-returned on Sunday afternoon to ciently vary the balance in play a programme of Schumann repeats. A lighter, more trans-and Rayel, with Schumann's parent ghint would have belied in some numbler staccato con-texts, too. But in spirit he was very much on Schumann's wave-

length.
Although the interval was not When a composer has laboured as long and diligently to pull a work into shape as short, I thought at first that it had not been long enough to allow Mr Costa to travel all the Schumann did in this instance, it always strikes me as unfair to ignore his wishes. The varia-tions he threw out, posthu-mously published at the instigaway from Germany into France. While positive and incisive Ravel's Sonatine seemed to lack a measure of Gellic delicacy, tion of Brebms, belong to an earlier conception. Beautiful as they are, especially the last two. with dynamics often louder than requested. But the alluring Valses nobles et sentimentales their more improvisational style found him considerably more subtle in phrasing and seducscarcely accords with what Schumann eventually chose to tive in tone, and he was equally successful in translating the brilliance of the Toccata from Le Tombeau de Couperin into and predominantly virtuosic symphonic studies.

But if in accordance with brilliance of the Toccara from present-day fashion a pianist stylishly fluid, translucent feels he must include them, the

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from

yesterday's later editions.

publish as a set of concentrated

and deliberately had Harry, his younger son, trained in the art and craft of stained glass to bolster up that side of the firm's activities. What must have been quite unpredictable was the boy's extraordinary originality as a designer: taking up more or less where a property Mariner. Having the fancies where the supplies the fancies where the supplies the fancies. earlier illustrations, like the unpublished series for "The Ancient Mariner" his fancies seem to have got a bit out of hand: the mariner himself, gorgeously caparisoned throughout his worst trials, looks more like Haroun Al Raschid or Bluebeard on a day off, wearing this rather elaborate forthered preblace they orate feathered necklace, than Coleridge's soul in torment. But once he gets on to the dissolution of M Valdemar ("Upon the bed there lay a nearly liquid mass of loath-some—or detestable putridity") Clarke is home and dry. None of the artistic progeny of Beardsley managed quite such an individual note of dazzling nastiness. Apparently, like Bram Stoker, that other Anglo-Irish master of the macabre, he was in everyday life buff and jolly and straightforward: but evidently hearties, particularly consumptive hearties, dream some very curious dreams.

> Compared with the extravagances of this latterday Irish Symbolist, there is something almost defiantly matter-of-fact about the contemporary activities of the Seven and Five Society. Or as Mark Glase-brook observes in his informative historical introduction to the catalogue of the current touring show, the approach of the group in its heyday was "Apollonian rather than Dionysan". No one seems to know why it was named as it was, since even at its tounding in 1920 it did not have exactly 12 members, let alone, as the tradition has it, seven painters and five sculptors. Still, with any group so eclectic it could include at various times (though not quite all at once)

Skin LWT

## Michael Church

On the face of it, London Week-end's new Minorities Unit sounds a laudable and timely sounds a laudable and timely venture: an ideal broadcasting recipe for the capital of a disunited kingdom staggering blindly into a new and perilous decade. Let the voice of the forgotten communities be heard, let each community hear the sound of its own voice.

sound of its own voice. In one area the unit is betting on a proven winner. Twentieth Century Box, a series due to start in the spring, will carry on from where Janet Street-Porter's excellent London Weekend Show left off: "young people" are not a very difficult minority to package, either for themselves or for the rest of humanity. But the unit is taking a risk with its forthcoming series on with its forthcoming series on homosexuals, which will address itself to the cultural and politi-cal issues now concerning Lon-

don's "gay" community.
Great ingenuity will be needed to avoid its being typed needed to avoid its being typed as a ghetto programme alienaring both heterosexuals and those homosexuals who do not want to differentiate them selves in this way from the rest of society.

Skin, the units's series about the as for an exceptible but

(and, as far as possible, by) land, as far as possible, by blacks and brown opened on Sunday with a sadly inauspicious report on the growing Asian militancy in Southall. Inauspicious, that is, both for what it said and for the way it said it.

It is, of course, to Britain's lasting shame that Asians, with their eminently assimilable traditions of hard work and abiding the law, should have to resort to political action to defend themselves against racial discrimination. To the extent that it dealt with that, Skin did a reasonable job.

But the programme's central

cally to abstractionism. Before foundered, though, the list of its members and friends and exhibitors reads like a role of honour for twentieth-century English art. The present exhibition is more of an anthology of good minor works than a demonstration (how could it be?) of any unifying factor Some of the works shown are in fact very good indeed: there is a fine smallish Nichol-Ben Nicholson, Ivon Hitchens, Son, abstracted rather than absDavid Jones, John Piper, tract, a lovely David Jones of Claude Flight, Frances Hodgkins, Christopher Wood and an elephant, and impressive drawing and paintings by less another important Irish artist familiar members such as Sid-

in stained glass, Evie Hone, what is mainly remarkable is that it survived for so long—until 1935.

Hunt (a finely feline cat in particular), Jessica Dismoor and Colin Sealy, Everything except a couple of Flight's

message was of a markedly parochial (and, incidentally, all-Sunday fare on the other side is currently rich in adaptations. William Trevor's version of The male) nature: up with the thrusting and aggressive Southall Youth Movement, down with the fuddy-duddy. Old Curiosity Shop (BBC 1) excellently cast and finely directed, is proving a triumph, time-serving, soft-living Indian Workers' Association. The former, we were told over and with Dickens's visions of good and evil and his cameos of wild

over again, had grabbed the political baton from the nerve-less fingers of the latter, in the bitter judicial aftermath of last year's race riots.

Lucky SYM, to get a free helf-hour commercial. Not so lucky viewers, if this sort of

thing is to be the regular Sunday fare. await a later date. Simi Bedford, presenter of Skin.



because of a section led by moderate precise: the essence, paintings), there was little or Nicholson who wanted it to go one would say, of Englishness no connexion between his two over exclusively and dogmation in English art.

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Malcolm Arbuthnot is an historical curiosity: he began as a photographer, and a very dis-tinguished one, member of the Linked Ring Brotherhood which has just recently been the subject of a most scholarly and interesting book by Margaret E. Harker (published by Heinemann for the Royal Photographic Society at £18.50) and friend and colleague of such as Alvin Langdon Coburn, Frederick Evans and Steichen. Then in middle-life he gave up

photography completely, retired to Jersey and devoted himself to painting instead. To judge by the work on show in the two concurrent exhibitions devoted to his work (that at the Poly is mainly photographs

eccentricity being presented in unforgentable form.

Natalie Ogle is a quintessentially Victorian Little Nell. Four

hours later she is a pertly Regency creature in Fay Weldon's dramatization of Pride and Prejudice (BBC 2), an

ampler review of which must

John Russell Taylor An evening with

no connexion between his two spheres of activity whereas in the life of Paul Nash, another

distinguished in both sorts, the same eye is immediately apparent whatever his medium. Arbuthnot in fact emerges

photographer than as a paint-

er. His portraits are excellent,

his other subjects, within the conventions imposed by the

period in terms of arty fuzzing

and fudging, frequently strik ing. Why, one may wonder, did

he give this up to become a

very minor painter or rather awkward semi-symbolic lands-capes, likable but nothing special? Late-flowering snobbery about photography, perhaps, but with his background it is difficult to see how. Is a

much more engagingly as

Old Vic

Irving Wardle

Oueen Victoria

Katrina Hendrey, who devised this programme, is not the first to discover Queen Victoria to be a remarkably effective dramatic author, but unlike others in the field she has done her musical homework as well.

Thus, besides extracts from the letters and journals, we the letters and journals, we hear the infant queen stumbling through J. R. Cross's specially composed piano studies, and see her dance steps to the forgotten quadrilles of the 1840s: and when she declares her healthy dislike of babies in general and Bertie in particular, it is to the accompaniment of Albert's doting lullaby "Pretty Baby" to words by Viscount Fordwick.

Thanks to Lan Particles and

Thanks to Ian Partridge, and to Richard Burnett who coaxes some tender music from a bony 1835 Collard and Collard, Albert's sub-Schubertian lieder seem genuinely heart-felt, and do more than any of the words to explain how the down-to-earth British monarch came to be transfixed by the arrow of German romanticism.

The key to Victoria's theatri-cal vitality lies in her abrupt departures from protocol. Every-thing is agreeable, beautiful, charming, and then she lets the babies have it with both barrels. Prunella Scales is a perfect mistress of this effect, which she exercises mainly during the early years. But the whole performance is enriched by a gently glancing mockery which enables her sometimes to stand outside the part. "I got into the State coach, and we began our progress", she says, girlishly italicizing the shape of things to come. The portrait is always affectionate, but when it comes to lines like "There is a general feeling that India ought to belong to me", there is a momentary chill in the air. I wish the Old Vic good luck with this programme round the summer arts festivals

# Forthcoming events on the British stage

The Club, a new comedy by Vic from January 21 to 26. Dream, David Hare's Plenty to 16. The production, by the Australian playwright The entertainment, with music and dance, which was seen earlier this year at the Edinburgh January 21 for a run of five Restival, will also be presented weeks. The production was at the Warwick Arts Centre, originally presented by the Covenity on January 12 and Covenity on January 13 and Covenity on January 13 and Covenity on January 14 and Covenity on January 15 and Covenity on January 18 and Charles Chiton's Oh What Abbey Theatre company, is directed by Joe Dowling and theatre there will be production. originally presented by the Coventry, on Nimrod Theatre in Sydney in 19.

Coventry, on January 18 and

Arthur Miller's first big success,

Stevie, Nigel Williams's Class Enemy and Marlowe's Edward

Hugh Leonard's play A Life, which was first presented at

A new play by Stephen Jeffreys, Jubilee Too, set in Cumbria during the Jubilee celebrations in 1977, will open Groupe TSE, the Argentinian All My Sons, is among the company which is now based productions scheduled for the which was first presented at in Paris, will be presenting its production, Heartaches of an spring season. Other plays in will be staged at the Old Vic production, Heartaches of an england clude A Midsummer Night's for two weeks from February 4 and Northern Ireland.

# Has putting Salt on the shelf done anyone any good?

One of the first measures President Carter took to protest at the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan Afghanistan was to ask Congress to postpone consideration of the Salt Treaty. The move was as much to deny the President's domestic opponents the pleasure of killreassessment of strategic arms limitation and detente in general, still officially described as being in America's "national security interests". Before the current crisis headcounters in the Senate had headcounters in the Senate had come to doubt that the necessary two-thirds majority for treaty ratification could be found. A number of key Senators had already urged delay, aware that in an election year this meant shelving the matter until 1981. New military programmes and the sense of disillusion surrounding the whole exercise may well make it difficult to resume serious arms control negotiations for

some time.

The delay in and possible loss of Salt in this manner is held to be a serious setback for the Soviet Union, adding to the costs of the Afghanistan adventure. The prestige of President Brezhnev is very much associated with Salt; the treaty is one often assumed to prock to the Soviet advantage: work to the Soviet advantage; in an unrestrained armed race. competition with American technological prowess would severely stretch Soviet capabili-

arms control negotiations for

However Salt was becoming a diminshing asset for the Soviet Union. It made many concessions in the negotiations and would have been required by the treaty's provision to adjust its force structure far more than the United States. The Americans have said that they will continue to abide by the greaty's provisions has the the treaty's provisions, but the only real effect here will be in testing the new MX missile— otherwise it will barely notice

otherwise it will barely notice the difference.

The Soviet Union on the other hand would be expected to remove a number of existing weapons. It became apparent during 1979 that in order to appease Congressional opponents the United States Administration was going to raise the defence budget and move forward with new programmes (such as the M-X missile) that the Russians might have hoped to contain in missile) that the Russians might have hoped to contain in subsequent negotiations. Salt began to look less attractive. The low point came with Nato's decision to go ahead with the modernization of its long-range theatre nuclear forces last month, allowing for a substantial increase in the number of American missiles number of American missiles which could bir Soviet terri-

The Russians had probably written off Salt before

Salt was still stuck in the Senate with little prospect, of an early and satisfactory vote For all these reasons it is pro-bable that the Soviet leadership had virtually written off Salt prior to the Afghanistan

In the West it was once believed that the promise of Salt would be sufficient to moderate Soviet foreign policy. The value placed on Salt in the Kremlin offered an opportunity to link progress in the negotiations with good behariour in the rest of the world.

There were always limits to this linkage because the United States had its own arms control objectives to pursue within Salt. It did work in a negative fashion: the various Soviet interventions in the Third World undoubtedly which could hir Soviet term which could hir Soviet term tory and delivering a rebuff to Third World undountedry Brezhnev in the process. Most soured the negotiating atmomportant of all, despite all the sphere and the political support for detente in the West.

Unce the treaty was signed last June, the United States made it clear to the Soviet Union that any more episodes of the Angolan or Ethiopian varieties would seriously jeopardize the chances for Salt's passage through the Senate.

Although 1979 was a year of relative Soviet restraint, yet this did not assist Salt in Congress. By the end of the year the Kremlin appears to have concluded that Salt neither deserved, nor would benefit from, any further foreign policy concessions. This effectively removed one argument against intervention argument against intervention in Afghanistan. Of course, even with a healthy Salt the invasion might well have gone ahead—but then at least President Carter would have had a

dent Carter would have had a genuine means of making the Russians pay a penalty.

If this analysis is correct it may well be that Congress, in its dilatory and obdurate approach to Salt, has managed to squander whatever leverage the treaty provided over Soviet policy. The experience is not dissimilar to that of 1974 when dissimilar to that of 1974 when all gains on behalf of Soviet Jews wishing to emigrate achieved during negotiations on the United States-Soviet trade agreement were lost

when Senator Jackson attempted to push the Russians too far too publicly.

While Salt may have few mourners, either in Moscow or Washington, its loss is not

without problems. With all other arms control negotiations other arms control negotiations hopelessly bogged down there appears to be no credible alternative to sustained arms competition nor an available means for reviving super-power detente. It will now be difficult to satisfy those in Nato who only supported the December decision to modernize theatre nuclear forces by the inclusion of an offer to negotiate on the matter with the Soviet Union. Not only is the obvious negotiating forum now unavailable, but also the Russians have publicly rejected the Nato offer—enother side of the Nato offer—another side of their disillusionment with the Salt process.

to recognize that the decline of Salt, and arms control in general, began long before the current crisis. Its achievements have offered a slight return for a massive and often acrimonious negotiaring effort. The question must be asked whether arms control as it has been understood and practised over the past decade can any longer serve a useful purpose, and it must be auswered before Salt is taken down from the shelf where it has just

It is nevertheless important

Lawrence Freedman The mathor is Head of Policy Studies at the Royal Institute of International Affairs.

# Bernard Levin gets hooked on the Thirties

I've really done it now. A life-long habit of leaving visits to exhibitions to the last minute (I have lost count of the num-ber I have attended on the day they closed) has imposed itself again, and I find myself in the position of writing about an exhibition which is no longer to be seen, though it ran, at the Hayward Gallery, for almost three months. I am referring to Thirties: British art and design before the war, and I am before the war, and I am writing about it now, despite the fact that nothing I say can persuade even the most willing persuade even the most whing of my readers to go to it (though I hope to make some of those who missed it regret their failure as keenly as I rejoice at having seen it just in time), because it provided so superb a reconstruction of the era it commemorates, together with so nostalgically evocative a reawakening of feelings in one who, though barely in his teens when the decade ended, was made to realize by the exhibition just how much he had unconsciously absorbed of the appearance of the world around him in those formative years, that if I do not express and share both my delight in the reconstruction and my emotions at the reawakening I fear that I shall begin to twitch in a most unsignity manner. unsightly manner.

unsightly manner.

Until fairly recently it had been fashionable to jeer at the visual quality of the artefacts of the thirties. That attitude has long been disappearing (and I may say that it would be a singularly dangerous one to advance within sight of the Hayward, which must surely have a very good Chance of carrying off the First Prize in the competition I shall shortly be organizing to determine once and for all which is the most hideous building put up in London since the end of the Second World War (a contest from which I shall ask Colonel Seifert to be good enough to disqualify himself in order to give the others a chance), and give the others a chance), and this exhibition should have laid it to rest altogether.

For Thirties offered the most conclusive proof that the design of the decade it commemorates was a blend of the beautiful with the functional that no decade since, and few before, could match. Somebody, no doubt, will put in a claim on the same basis for the fifties, but the speed with which South Bank has dated belies any such assertion; though Thirties made me smile almost throughout, the smile was not one of pat-ronizing forgiveness for something harmlessly quaint but a tribute to the vitality and vivacity of the work, and to the real joy it provided for the

How lamentably we have regressed

Of course, for anyone my age or over, there is an extra layer of joy in the flood of memories the show brought back. But I think it is possible to distinguish between the two sorts of pleasure it gave, and power-ful evidence that I am right was provided, on the day I went, by the enormous number of visitors present who were visibly and audibly rapt at what they saw, though many of them were not more than half my age and some hardly a third

They could never have seen anything like the wall-clock by Ambrose Heal or the corner the eyes of any man who was alive, even if only in his cradle. when Britain went off the Gold Standard), the altar candle-sticks by C. W. Gilbert, the book-bindings of Sydney Cockerell and the printing of the Gregynog Press, the dressing-table by Betty Joel, the radio by Wells Coates (both of these last made me want to go and lie down until the pain and the pleasure had alike worn off), the Shell advertising campaigns, the three even stripes of the early Penguin covers, the posters by McKnight Kauffer (an excellent study of his work, by Mark Haworth-Booth, has recently appeared), Barnett Freedman and Frank Barnett Freedman and Frank Newbould, the news-photo-graphy of James Jarche, the prints of Marion Dorn. Yet the young people who thronged around me, amid the gaiety, effectiveness and simplicity of it all, were clearly having as marvellous a time as I was.

many suburban tube-stations (a vast assortment of which were vast assortment of which were shown in a slide-sequence); of course it would be a dreadful day if anybody were ever to see enything built to the model of Sir Edwin Lutyens' proposed Liverpool Cathedral, the very first object in the exhibition and some 16½ ft long, which very nearly caused me to flee screaming into the open air and stay there; of course and stay there; of course enough of the architecture of the period remains for anyone who wishes to understand it to

But when all that has been allowed for, Thirties the strength of the design bedded in its objects, and its final success was to make us see how lamentably we have see how lamentably we have regressed, in so many fields, clock by Eric Gill, the hall regressed, in so many fields, table by Oliver Hill (itself capable of filling with tears car design is, compared to the lines of those illustrated at the Hayward! How feeble is British Rail's "Flying Banana" beside Nigel Gresley's Silver Link engine for the LNER! How inadequate would Taylor Woodrow's Ronan Point have been, compared to Luberkin and Tecton's High Point, High-gate, even if the former had

not fallen down!
One of the pleasantest things about Thirties was how undidactic it was. To be sure, the visitor could not but be conscious of poverty, unemploy-ment, the gathering storm (the final section of the exhibition took us into the war, not forget ting the standard-issue gas-mask). But there was no attempt to cram down our throats the contrast between a miner at the coalface and the Duchess of York talking to Bunny Austin at a garden-party, and rightly (it would have been rather a good joke to include

# Putting on the style



A LNER poster in 1935: not only the prices have changed.

Of course, even I had never been inside Tilly Losch's all-glass baikroom (designed by Paul Nash and lovingly reconstructed for the exhibition by the original builders, James Clark, Eaton and Son); of course, everybody is familiar now with Ellis and Clarke's Daily Express building in Fleet Street, still as modern as it is handsome; of course everybody sees (but few, I fear, notice) the splendid entrances to so many suburban tube-stations (a one of Mosley's Blacksbirts' black shirts, but the temptation was resisted); this exhibition was planned and put together to show us what the thirties looked like, not how they behaved or even thought, and it did that, in a vast and comprehensive sweep (there were some 1,200 items on view), to the most conclusive perfection. (Insti-dentally, since such details are too rarely given in reviews of exhibitions, I would like to commend by name those responsible. The show was the joint work of the Arts Council and the V & A; the chairman of the exhibition committee was William Feaver and of the V & A committee Carol Hogben; the director of the museum is, of course, Dr Roy

for the Arts Council is equally of course, Miss Joanna Drew; the sumptuous and wonderfully informative catalogue was edited by Jennifer Hawkins and Marianne Holkis, and designed by Philip Miles and Peter Nutter, of Thumb Design.)

thirties is the one which has vanished most completely; ironically, it has disappeared even more thoroughly than the Golden Age just before the world came to an end in 1914. All those fresh starts in 1945 (to say nothing of the couple score fresh starts since) have obliterated the memory of the days before what set out to be a New Deal proved in practice to be only a Busted Flush. Even for those who, like me, had the face of the thirties etched deeply on the metal of memory, must have found this exhibition a parade of wraiths, gone for ever despite the most melodious twang they left behind. Yet be-fore night fell, the evening sun was bright, and I am glad that this magnificent show did such overdue justice to the appearance of a decade which has been accused of every crime imaginable and was guilty of most of them, but can now be seen, beyond a reasonable doubt, to have been not guilty of the sin of bad design, and leaves the court, in this respect at least, without a stain on its character.

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## Marcel Berlins continues his series on China's legal revolution

# **Justice** seen to be done in the people's court

The accused was 23, worked in a candy sugar-coating factory, and had tried to kill his girl friend with a kitchen chopper. Nearly 2,000 people crammed the auditorium of the Workers' Cultural Club of the Nan-shi district of Shanghai for his trial. It was an all-ricket affair.

The case had aroused such

local interest that, in keeping with the government's policy of educating the masses about the law, it had been decided to hold the trial at a venue with a larger audience capacity than an ordinary courtroom.

The trial was among the first

to be held under the provisions of China's new codes of criminal law and criminal procedure, and many of the spectators had come equipped with a little book containing the new laws.

There was no doubt about the facts, and the accused had confessed to the attack, although it was not until shortly before the trial that he had admitted an intention to kill, having previously insisted that he merely wanted to frighten the girl.

Sitting at a plain table at centre stage were the judge of the Nan-shi Municipal People's Court and two "people's Court and two "people's assessors", one of them appointed for the case because he worked at the same factory as the accused and his girl-friend. The other, a woman, had no link with the case but had occasionally served as an assessor

On one sde of the stage sat the procurator—public prose-cutor—and his trainee assistant; on the opposite side, the defence advocate, an experi-enced lawyer (pre-Cultural Revolution) who had been appointed by the court a few days before the trial. The accused and witnesses occupied the front of the stage.

The form of the proceedings followed a pattern familiar to most continental systems. The

quarrel leading up his his attack on the girl (chopping off one of her fingers as she tried to protect her head). The girl then gave evidence, followed by three witnesses who had rushed in to try to save her. Their evidence was that after failing to chop her to death the accused then tried to strangle

issue of his intention to kill. Both the accused and his advocate were given the opportunity to ask questions of the wit-In fact, as we learnt later, the whole truth about the case did not come out. Among the categories of cases—or parts of cases—not heard in public are those involving "personal secrets", which, in effect, means

cases with a sexual content. The girl had apparently allowed sexual favours to others, but this did not come out at the hearing. The audience was left with the impression that the quarrel leading to the attack was about the girl's refusal to go to the cinema with the accused. At the end of the evidence

the prosecutor spoke in the style of prosecutors all over the world, without, however, recommending a particular penalty. The defence advocate would not have been out of place at the Old Bailey. Forthright and robust, he minimized the seriousness of the crime, contested the admissibility of most continental systems. The evidence about the accused's reviews and appeals at various in the prisons on ideology, and accused gave his version of the previous bad behaviour, stress stages, special protection is a copy of the People's Daily is



Inside a people's court in China: no privilege whatever is permissible before the law.

in every cell. A prisoner can earn remission of his sentence by hard work at the task

sed the provocation to which the accused had been subjected, and suggested that part of the trouble was that both parties to form their relationship". This led him into a speech

national campaign—which drew the audience. A straw poll taken among spectators during the ten-min-ute retirement of the judge and

assessors showed popular feeling to favour a sentence of seven or eight years' imprison-10 years, and the accused was told of his right to appeal. The proceedings had taken two hours.

It is, of course, impossible to assess whether the trial we saw was typical, and it is too soon to make a judgment about the efficacy of the new criminal law and procedure codes. On paper, they provide an accused with all the safeguards that an inquisitorial system of interrogation process is strictly controlled, the use of any form of violence on a suspect pro-hibited, there is scope for given to juveniles, and "all citizens are equal in the appli-cation of the law. No privilege whatsoever is permissible before At the same time, the law still remains subject to the

overriding political ideology of praising the virtues of late the state, which includes con-marriage—the topic of a formity to the will of the national campaign—which drew masses. The criminal law code an approbatory murmur from states as one of its main printo combat all counter-revolu-tionary crimes". The possible elasticity of the term "counter-revolutionary" hardly needs to be stressed, although a number of high officials made it clear to us that mere criticism, even in strong terms, would not amount to illegal activity. As for non-political crimes, it

is clear that the incidence of juvenile delinquency, especially in the big cities, is worrying the authorities. Much of the blame is being placed on parents who incorrectly guided by the principles of the Cultural Revolution, have failed to bring up their children properly, "either beating them or pam-pering them too much".

Penal policy in China stresses the reeducation of criminals

assigned to him—many prisons have factories—and by showing that he has undergone a genuine reformation.

China still retains the death

penalty, and judging from public notices in the major cities executions are not infrequent. There is, however, provision for a two-year postponement of the punishment, to allow the offender a chance to show his genuine change of There is at present some

uncertainty and controversy about the use of the death penalty. Recently, an execution was shown on television. When questioned on this, a judge in Peking, showing some embarrassment, suggested that the public viewing had been a mistake. A few days later a judge in Shanghai told us that the publicity had been "inspir-

But even that judge stressed that the policy was to educate, not to frighten, people into respect for the law. There is, at a high level of government, an abolitionist faction, and it is significant that it has already been stated by Chairman Hua that the Gang of Four will not be executed, whatever the as much as their punishment, result of their forthcoming. There are regular discussions trial.

To be continued

# **LONDON DIARY**

#### Unleashing the feedback from the East

Being a rudimentary technological relic from way back BC (Before the Chip), sound radio has come to be something of a Cinderella among the brasher ugly sisters of video recording, Ceefax, Oracle and the Daily Star. But in its relative technical simplicity lies its great strength, enabling it to pole-vault over frontiers firmly closed to television and the printed word.

The heartstopping poker game being played by the three superpowers at the table of world politics has had its least upon the Chinese service of the BBC.

Bush House has been beam-Bush House has been beaming Menderin and Cantonese to maintand China since 1941, but during the reign of the Gang of Four the BBC had almost no way of discovering how many people were listening, or how the output was being received. In 1978, for example, a total of only 17 kisteners' letters found their way back to the Overseas Service headquarters in the Service headquarters in the

Then, with the change of political climate, and Peking's blossoming courtship with the West, audience reaction blossomed too, and last year the BBC received no fewer than 17,000 letters from mainland Chinese listeners, many of Chnese insteners, many of them praising the service as a vehicle for learning English, and asking for copies of a complementary texthook.

Quite unprompted, at least by the BBC, correspondensis sent in over 1,000 suggestions for a cover design for an English By Radio booklet.

The artist who ironically lives

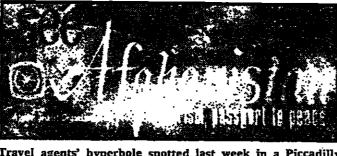
The artist, who ironically lives in Changsha, the provincial capital of Hunan where Mao attended university, appended the following dedication to the BBC Overseas Service:

" Words are like a ribbon of friendship. You are as beautiful as the phoenix. Let our friendship be like the Great Wall.

Strong and unshakable a

thousands autumns, ten

thousand generations." Fine sentiments, and ones which the 20 staff of the Chinese service hope will per-meate to the upper echelons of Whitehall, whence has come the order to cut £2.7m from booklet with its handsome unashamedly propagandist Vatione-the Bush House annual budget cover should cement Anglo- can Radio, established in 1931 tion.



Travel agents' hyperbole spotted last week in a Piccadilly

hours of daily Chinese trans-missions.

Bur they observe ruefully that even Albania manages three hours of daily transmission to China, six hours to North Korea, eight hours the United States, and 27 hours the Soviet Union. Last year the Soviets registered 43 new transmitters, and it is on the BBC's overseas transmitter replace-ment and improvement programme that the bulk of the cuts will fall. Still, the English By Radio

In spite of the financial Chinese friendships. Lesson 83: squeeze, Bush House has every "I can't find my wife." Lesson intention of maintaining its 14 106: "Pll give you an injection."

Voice from the Vatican garden Another broadcaster whose fan mail has increased by leaps and bounds is Father Roberto Tucci, who would be the first to admit that his name is hardly a household word in the Jimmy

Young class, at least not in this Tucci, who has been on a private visit to London, is director-general of the unashamedly propagandist Vati-

occasional addresses to the world, and launched by the voice of Signor Marconi himself, who set up the transmitter in the Vatican gardens and made the first broadcast.

Lithuanian and Esperanto, almost as many as the BBC, but its weekly output of 250 hours on two wavelengths falls well short of the 700 hours generated by Rush House by Bush House,

"Last year we, too, began to receive letters from listeners in China, for the first time in many years", Tucci said. "They It is not only the Chinese who were from old Christians, people whose families had been Christians, both Catholic and Protestant, and those who were simply interested in the Church and in learning English".

Vatican Radio's main purpose, said Tucci, was to maintain a lifeline with practising Christians in those countries where the church was in difficulties, and where Christians were isolated from the rest of the church. One of its most popular languages is Lithuanian, where the Catholic tradition is still strong and where the radio claims a regular audience of one-third of the total popula-

The station's main output. from a powerful new 500-kilo-watt transmitter on the outskirts of Rome, is a solidly spiritual diet of religious news and discussion, interspersed with music. Its finest bour was Vatican Radio broadcasts undoubtedly last year, when daily in 32 languages, including during the Pope's visit to Lithuanian and Esperanto. Mexico it broadcast 45 hours of live reportage on his every step and utterance.

#### Short story avalanche

are writing to the wireless in their thousands. Our own civilized domestic animal, Radio Three, has been inundated with entries for its short story con-test, in spite of the barest mini-mum of publicity.

Piers Plowright, the BBC man in charge of the competition, tells me that he has been buried under an avalanche of no fewer than 7,500 literary works, ranging in quality from pearls to dross. Every single entry, he assured me, had been read, and at this moment the



Why on earth doesn't he

"We were anxious to tap new, original and extremely good talent. We wanted to take four judges—William Trevor, the short story form further Beryl Bainbridge, Eva Figes and deeper than it is done on and Robert Nye—are re-reading a final selection of 35 stories each.

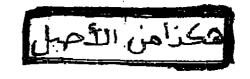
good takent, we wanted to take the short story form further and deeper than it is done on Radio Four's Morning Story slot", said Mr Plowright. "Radio Three has in the past

tended to stick to short stories by established writers; we need to find some new ones." The winner, whose name and work will be broadcast on February 1, will receive a prize of f1,000, a dizzily greater sum than the hard-pressed BBC normally pays for original stories or scripts. There is also a plan for a BBC book of the best entries if the standard is best entries, if the standard is sufficiently high. A welcome move; the outlets for short stories are sadly few these days.

The last time I accupied this basement squat I asked you to tell me the origin of the lighthouse outside King's Cross station. So far I have had only one reply—from the Elder Brethren of Trivity House insisting it is not one of their is there nobody out there who knows what it is? knows what it is?

I am always glad to hear reports of this newspaper being shown the respect it deserves. A reader recently went to the news kiosk of an Oxford Street store, bought The Times, and had it wrapped in a paper hag at the insistence of the cashier.

Alan Hamilton





# TIME FOR A PURGE

In one way or another it is likely to avoid a witch-hunt within the fluence; and with the new provithat all the information possessed by the Labour Party on infiltration by the Militant Tendency will soon be made public-in addition to that disclosed on another page today. Either the National Executive Committee will next week reject the recommendation of its organization sub-committee not to publish the evidence on which Lord Underhill, the party's former national agent, based his report on entryism, as it is termed, by Trotskyist organizations. Or Lord Underhill himself is expected to release the information. This will be good for the health of British politics and for the Labour Party

The Militant Tendency is a movement built around the paper, Militant, with its own full-time staff and its own organization at local level. This conflicts with the stipulation in the Labour Party constitution that people are not eligible for membership if they also belong to political organizations "having their own programme, principles and policy for distinctive and separate propaganda, or possessing branches in the constituencies ". But for some years now the NEC has failed to implement this rule. In 1973 it decided to scrap the list of proscribed organizations which it had previously maintained. Its annual report for that year piously insisted that the ending of the proscribed list does not represent any change in policy"; yet it refused to act on the report that Lord Underhill presented in 1975 and it has declined to publish the background evidence that he subsequently made available.

The best interpretation to put

party, especially in circumstances where it may be difficult to determine who belongs to the offending organization. The Militant Tendency is a clandestine and, to outsiders, a somewhat nebulous movement. The other interpretation is that the NEC majority does not wish to act against left-wing fringe groups for which it may feel a general sympathy even where there is no identity of view. In other words, the NEC has been either naive or culpable because it has failed to protect the Labour Party against a movement which has already done much damage and threatens to do much more.

Any left-wing party is bound to have eccentric bodies on its fringes. Many of these do little harm and may even provide a useful source of energy and idealism, if not of judgment. But the Militant Tendency, and indeed a number of other extremist groups, cannot be regarded in this light. They are organizing actively to undermine the position of moderate forces within the party on behalf of policies for which there is no evidence of significant support either among the general public at large or even Labour voters; and they are doing this by means which are expressly forbidden in the party constitution.

Already they have a strong hold on the Young Socialists which is not surprising in itself because the Labour Party has had difficulty with extremism in its youth movement most of the time-and have varying degrees of influence in more than fifty constituency parties. With the Labour Party in such feeble condition at local level it does not upon the NEC's attitude is that require many people to exercise the majority of its members wish a quite disproportionate in-

sion for the automatic reselection of MPs the capacity of a small group of extremists to make trouble has been significantly increased. It has always been the case that if a constituency party was sufficiently determined not to renominate its sitting member at the next election it was able to jettison him. But in the past that was a difficult process and it required at least the tacit approval of the NEC, to whom he had the right of appeal. Now that reselection is to become an automatic procedure—unless the next party conference overturns the decision of the last one-it will be much easier for local malcontents to throw out a sitting member. If they are astute, they will not even need to be in a majority to do so.

The growth of the Militant Tendency is, therefore, linked to the constitutional disputes within the party. The proposals to transfer power from the party in Parliament to the party in the country arouse particular mis-givings because of the quite ex-cessive representation of extremists at local level. If a number of moderate MPs are rejected by their constituency parties this will have an effect on others and progressively undermine the confidence of the parliamentary party. One way to counteract the spreading influence of Trotskyist groups is for the NEC to take a more active role in applying the party constitution and to pro-scribe those organizations which do not conform to the rules. Another way would be to build up the party in the country so that it once again represents the views of Labour voters in general. But to do nothing would be to allow the party to slide to-wards the position of a minority

## LORD SOAMES ON HIS HIGH WIRE

Lord Soames's difficulties have ascribed to inadequate numbers it is the function of the ceaseemerged much as foreseen. After of monitors; a point that sug-the initial orderly assembly of gests that he does accept that the initial orderly assembly of guerrillas of the two forces of the Patriotic Front at the places provided under the agreement, incidents and fatalities have occurred as the result of the activities of those who have remained in the bush. Some of these are freebooters and banditti, others may be acting under orders to constitute a force in being. It is reported that Mr Nkomo's Zipra forces bave been better disciplined and have assembled more readily than Mr Mugabe's Zanla guerrillas, to whom most of the continued shootings and outrages are attrihuted. Nor did the local Zipra the unfortunate death of the Zipra guerrillas who refused to abandon their arms under the agreed procedures as did President Nyerere. The fact remains that all those still in the bush since a week last Friday are illegal.

These groups cannot be allowed to commit their depredations with impunity, and if Mr Mugabe cannot forcefully control them soon, perhaps after he re-turns, Lord Soames will have the difficult choice of sending in the Rhedesian forces under his command to neutralize them, or of hanning the party that sustains them. Britain is predictably under fire for not being imparrial, Both President Nyerere and President Kaunda, as well as Mr Mugabe, make the accusation. Mr Nkomo, in a notably statesmanlike speech, put the importance on reconciliation far more strongly than on British shortcomings, which he mainly

they are neutral and reliable.

The British decision to permit a detachment of South African troops to stand guard on the Rhodesian side of the Beit Bridge link was bound to provoke the front line Presidents (though President Machel has not protested). It is illogical. But if it had not been conceded, probably the agreement would not have been reached at all. The British position simply is that these few men do not constitute the foreign involvement in Rhodesia which Lord Carrington promised the Patriotic Front leaders would not be allowed under British sovereignty. The only way fully to meet the problem is to send British operational troops as apposed to the present monitors to the bridge area, which has all along been ruled out. Probably this issue should be reexamined, though it is clearly only technical; meanwhile there are still 500 Mozambiquan regulars, who have been helping the guerrillas in this and other areas, at large in the bush; some have disarmed and entered the assembly areas.

The remaining South Africans are individually enlisted in the Rhodesian forces and are now under Lord Soames's command (and are important for their help in particular in maintaining Rhodesian aviation). Their status contravenes no part of the agreement. Nor does that of the auxiliaries, formerly the Bishop's private army (in the main) and now his election agents. They are difficult to control, or to keep in or near their bases; but

fire commission to deal with complaints and have them monitored. It will be impossible to prevent gangs intimidating each other and the electorate in this free and fair election; and evidently some Zipra and Zanla cadres are being kept in the bush deliberately to watch over each others' activities and prepara-

Mr Nkomo, however, struck a constructive and statesmanlike note in his speech on his return, with the emphasis on keeping the cease-fire, winning the election and reconciliation. He spoke for the Patriotic Front as well as for his Zapu wing, and gave an impression of a man who expected to emerge the victor. If Mr Mugabe can speak similarly, when he returns, more ground for a peaceful outcome will have been secured.

In the difficult passage that has yet to be negotiated by the Governor and by southern Rhodesia generally, one fact must be borne in mind. Britain is trying to preside over an election between two forces which have simply called a truce. Britain is not and could not act as a peacekeeping force; British sovereignty is accepted by the rival forces because it is convenient to them both. For this reason Britain could not, if it wanted, deliberately favour one party, such as the Bishop's, more than another, for then the cease-fire would collapse with dire effects. This fact, and the inherent precariousness of the whole operation, are perfectly known to Presidents Nyerere and Kaunda. Their premature shouts of "foul" from the sidelines are either unrealistic or mischievous. This is a time for restraint.

#### Access to Public Records

From Professor R. L. Storey Sir, The Public Record Office has two main functions: (i) to receive for preservation files no longer required for immediate reference by the departments of state which made them; and (ii) to make such records available for historical research. The new repository at Kew is the centre for both purposes, while the old office in Chaptery Lane performs only the second in respect of its own finite contents; these are the records of courts of law and offices of royal government dating from 1086 to the seventeenth century.

The decision to close the search rooms in Chancery Lane reported by Mr Sainty (January 9) will be deplored by all specialists in medi-eval and early modern history, including many visitors from abroad. The office at Kew and its computer were not designed for their needs; space intended for contemporary records will have to be sacrificed to house Chancery Lane's great apparatus of reference. Medievalists will be unable easily to move on to the British Library and the other institutions of learning in central London as they now can to supplement their researches in Chancery Lane. Those of us in the provinces who can only visit London for single days will be severely affected.

This grievous blow to historical research is threatened as a result of the Office's dual function. To meet its requirement to reduce expenditure it has chosen to maintain its Kew based operations and economize at the expense of its "customers" in Chancery Lane. One certainly must hope that an alternative and more equitable distribution of economics can be made. It would be better still if the office in Chancery Lane were made an autonomous institution, like the British
Library, with its own budget. The old "PRO" is highly regarded throughout the world and is a part of our heritage deserving preserva-

Yours faithfully, R. L. STOREY, Department of History, Nottingham, January 11.

#### 'Special price' books From Mrs Cynthia Reavell

Sir, Robin Young is performing a very real service in exposing The Observer's so-called special offers. May I bring another of these to our attention? On October 28 a back asked A Tolking Rostians was book called A Tolkien Bestiary was odvertised in The Observer magazine at the "special price" of £9.95, and quoted as being £12.50 in bookshops. The bookshop price was in fact also £9.95, until two months later, on January 1, 1980, when ir was increased to £12.50, by which time the offer would be unlikely to be still valid anyway.

Some time later, presumably after protests from indignant booksellers, a tiny "correction" was printed to the effect that the wording of the advertisement should have stated that £12.50 was the "normal price". After more incensed letters from booksellers, asking how readers were supposed to interpret normal as January 1", a genuine correction appeared eventually. By then, of course, the advertisement would have had appeared effect it was going to have whatever effect it was going to have and booksellers would have lost sales of that book. Yours faithfully,

CYNTHIA REAVELL, Martello Bookshop, 26 High Street, Rye, East Sussex.

January 3.

#### Diplomatic broomball

From Mr J. D. N. Hartland-Swann Sir, I cannot judge the prospects for broomball in the United King-dom. But your Moscow correspon-dent should be aware that it has aiready penetrated farther into
Asia, if in suitably modified form.
At Her Majesty's Embassy in
Ulan Bator the facilities are
superior and the competition (if of
necessity more limited by virtue of a total resident Western community of less than 20) intenser than that experienced by our Moscow colleagues.

The game on our flooded tennis court (the only one in town apart from that of the Soviet Embassy) is played with children's hockey sticks, for lack of suitable brooms, and in valenkis-Russian felt boots-rather than tennis shoes to avoid undue

digital loss.

The use of a plastic ball was abandoned when the customary winter temperature of -35°C was reached and it shattered; a wheel of the Residence drinks trolley proved a durable substitute.

The hazards also appear to have been greater. Apart from the perils of intoxication from the necessarily more frequent imbibing of vodka. the "cross-sticking" rule is unfor-tunately unknown in Mongolia. I myself fell a victim to a savage goal shot by my son, losing both upper front teeth in the process. and for the next three months, until I could have the damage renaired. my appearance was the subject of distinctly wry speculation among my

diplomatic colleagues.

But Moscow should look to their laurels. Refore I left, the Japanese Ambassader hinted that he was thinking of building a tennis court-Yours faithfully,

J. D. N. HARTLAND SWANN, formerly HM Ambassador at Ulan Bator, King Charles St, SWIA

free market From Lord Balogh and Mr Roger

Sir, In their manifesto (January 9) impartially addressed to Leaders of both main parties, though they expressed established scientific truths, some of our colleagues advocate further cuts in social services and the decentraliza-tion of their administration while maintaining the ultra-dear money panacea. They evidently believe that in a shrinking market economy (as this country overwhelmingly is) you can stimulate investment by a com-bination of such policies. They be-lieve that the badly needed restructuring as against the closure of our industries can be carried

All bistorical evidence and com-

mon sense condemn this view. Investment is falling and will fall further. Excess capacity prevents the reversal of this trend. On the other hand, corporation tax is in fact becoming a voluntary contribu-tion. Its cut will make no difference to the policies of the private sector. What the policies advocated by our colleagues will encourage is con-sumption and we have seen in 1953-55, and again on several occasions since, that when consumption is encouraged, imports are the chief beneficiaries. Though they denounce incomes policies, they have one of their own. It consists of ministerial admonitions and unemployment. It was not effective. Inflation accelerated and their faith in its monetary control neglects the elasticity of the banking system which enabled a substantial rise in the velocity of circulation.

The British secular relative decline has little to do with government intervention. It has been continuous since about 1880, when the principles enunciated by our colleagues were totally dominant and the Free Trade frenzy was at its height. The only periods in which our industrial lethargy was over-come were short bursts, initiated by wars and/or protectionist measures such as the McKenna and safeguarding duties and Ottawa.

Yours, etc. THOMAS BALOGE, Balliol College, ROGER OPIE, New College, Oxford. January 10.

#### Changing the shape of ITV From Mr Terence Price

Sir, The future of television in this country being something which concerns us all, the decisions concerning ITV 2 will be awaited with interest. But well before the fourth channel can be launched, an earlier opportunity for making some changes will present itself, when the new ITV 1 franchises are granted for the 10-year term from January 1982. I understand that invitations to make proposals will be appearing in the very near future. I also under stand that there are a number of indications that the IBA seems likely to favour a pattern which would not differ greatly, in geo-graphical coverage or structure and for that reason also in content -trom what we have today.

The purpose of this letter is to ask whether this is what is needed. It will be at least another three years before ITV 2 can begin operating. Are there not good reasons for trying to include more material in ITV 1 which is educa-tional, or representative of com-munity and minority interests, cutting our some of the trivialities in the process? The Open University shown what can be done by television for degree-level educa-tion. There are countless other sources of programme material which are at present unexploited, particularly in our major cities, and not least during the working day, where the infinite variety of life can be used to enrich the offerings. An obvious social benefit could be more widespread understanding of how the country actually works. Furthermore, technical develop-ments in video electronics are steadily opening up new and more flexible ways of using our home television sets, for example for home education at times of our own cheosing. The pace of imnovation is immense, but this has yet to be reflected in the structure of file programmes of ITV (or, for that matter, the BBC).

The easy course for the IBA would be to argue that such benefits can flow from ITV 2 when it arrives. But why wait? All that is needed is for the invitation for proposals for the new ITV 1 franchises, when they sames in the contractions. when they appear in the very near future, to be worded in a way which will not discourage innovation and fresh ideas, even though working them out may need some structural changes and if necessary new faces. If, pace what is being forecast, this is what is in the IBA's mind, then the Authority will deserve the lations if a new and better ITV partern results.
Yours faithfully,

TERENCE PRICE. The Athenseum, SW1. January 14.

#### London's third airport From Captain E. F. Thurston

Sir, As a pilot who, for many years, has shared Stansted Airport's twomile long runway with airlines operating aircraft up to and including 747s, and whose passengers now complete their journey to London via an adjacent three-lane motorway through the Essex countryside. may be permitted one small comment following Sir Colin Buchanan's letter (January 9) about "... dump-

ing an airport in Essex "? Contrary to what Sir Colin says, Stansted is part of the "existing national surports system", and thus the Government are doing precisely what he advocates, i.e. making the best of it.

Yours faithfully, ERIC THURSTON, Thurston Aviation Ltd. Stansted Airport London, Stansted,

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Intervention or the Answering the Ulster conundrum

Sir, It is high time for radical sug-gestions regarding the Ulster conun-drum, but I do not see how the solu-

tion offered by Mr and Mrs Firth amounts to more than a rough-minded decision to leave the Northern Irish, Catholic and Protestant, to stew in their own juice. It may come to that, but the con-

sequence can only be a civil war between 1.3 million Protestants and half a million Catholics, supported fully or half-heartedly by the Republic of Ireland; a prospect to chill the blood. Granted the intractability of the

problem and the furility of current policies. I offer a different, though still radical, solution; a repartition. Two of the six counties would be reunited with the Republic, the Protestant minority being given the choice of remaining as members of a tolerated minority in the enlarged Republic or moving to a smaller

Similarly the Catholic minority in Similarly the Catholic minority in the new Ulster would be given the chance to stay or go, but if they stayed it would be on the understanding that there would be no "power-sharing". Ulster would be an overwhelmingly Protestant country tolerating Catholics in the same way as the Republic is an overwhelmingly Catholic country tolerating Protestants.

Of course, the costs of moving

Of course, the costs of moving scores of thousands of people would be horrendous, but this could surely be borne by Britain, Ireland and the EEC in the interests of settling the problem. Whether a Protestant Ulster opted for independence or to stay in Great Britain is a secondary

What is certain is that it would not opt for unification with the Republic. Nor would the Republic any longer have the excuse, or even any sensible wish, to interfere in Ulster, since it would have gained both an enlarged territory and reunification with those Catholic Ulstermen who agreed to be reunited with it. Yours faithfully.

A. G. FATHERS, 613 Upper Richmond Road West,

From Mr D. G. Boal Sir, The letter from your corres-pondents Mr and Mrs Firth pondents Mr and Mrs Firth (January 11) illustrates the emergence in Great Britain of a well-intended, but to my mind tendentious assessment of the Ulster conundrum ".

To see that the understanding professed of the Ulster situation is inadequate, witness merely the description of the province as a "sectarian dependency". This failure to recognize the inevitability and reciprocity of religious discrimination in a community divided by rival ideologies where there, so far from being a constitutional guarantee, exists constitutional instability, hardly augurs well for a mature analysis.

Nevertheless, the argument deserves attention. Its premisses are that Northern Ireland is to mainland Britain and would be to

From Mr Malcolm Cross

the Irish Republic, an embarrassing liability. The ostensibly palliative solution suggested is independence

for the six counties. Apart from having been shown in the recent Panorama poll to be the option least desired by Ulster people, it is highly probable that independence would occasion a drastic upsurge in IRA activity (funded and partaken in by what support they have in the Republic) with, no doubt, retaliatory sectarian violence on a hitherto unexperi-

enced scale. With regard to industrial invest-ment and the Ericish military presence in Northern Ireland, ir seems at the very least inequitable to propose withdrawal in the face of difficulty. The people of Ulster "pay their way" as much as those in any British region, and are therefore as entitled to the resources of defence as are your correspondents, living in Hamp-

And at a time when the idea of a single European community is gaining currency, it seems policically retrogressive, if not naive, to imply that the underdeveloped regions of a political unit should not be supported partly by the more affluent areas.

Of course my argument pre-apposes the acceptance of supposes Northern Ireland as part of the United Kingdom, but I would contend that if any regard is to be paid to democratic principles this constitutional arrangement must be maintained.

What is seen as "British petrification masquerading as British loyalty to the Province" can be the only right course for a democracy, since the province referred to has consistently and overwheimingly declared that it is British. This, together with the reality and enormity of IRA violence, not that
chimera "the threat of massive
Protestant violence", forms the
basic political fact of life in Ulster.
I do not claim to have the

political panacea sought, but I recognize that neither Northern Ireland, the Irish Republic, nor Great Britain can afford to allow violence to overrule democracy and effect constitutional change. Yours sincerely, D. G. BOAL.

From Mr R. G. R. Wall Sir, Mr Cecil Lewis's plan (January 10) could spring only from a wholly urban mind. Northern Ireland is a largely agri-

cultural land, with large numbers of predominantly small to moderate-sized farms. Where and how will Mr Lewis find for their namers "corresponding positions, employment and accommodation on this side of the Irish Sea unless by dispossessing existing farmers?

His phrase "a certain amount of organization" masks a different problem. Yours faithfully. R. G. R. WALL, 201 London Road, Twickenham, Middlesex.

of providing adequate reassurance about the confidentiality of 1981

of ethnic origin, has recently de-prived certain British women of their right to have a foreign husband

living here with them and which is

known currently to be drawing up

new nationality legislation.

Indeed, the "disappointing" returns from the Haringey test census may largely be explained by the apprehension (whether well-

founded or ill) that the nationality status of people permanently settled

here and of their children born here is under threat. This apprehension was in no way diminished by the form of either of the questions tested in Haringey or by Office of Population Censuses and Surveys like purpose of

literature explaining the purpose of

This referred to Increasing num-

bers of people living in Britain having been born abroad, to the fact

that an increasing proportion of

these had been born in the New Commonwealth or Pakistan and went on to add to this total those of New Commonwealth ethnic origin "but" who had been born in this country.

While reliable information is essential to tacking the disadvantage experienced by members of racial minority groups, I believe such information will only be elicited by an ethnic question in the 1981

Census if two minimum conditions

The question itself will need to

allow for respondents to describe

themselves and/or their children as British and the Census form itself

will need to be devised in such a

way as visibly to ensure that per-sonal information cannot be identi-

fied with individual respondents.

the questions.

are met

## A tower opposite the Tate

From Lord Duncan-Sandys, CH

Sir, The front page report in today's The Times tells of the horrific proposal to build a green glass sky-scraper, 500 feet high, on the south bank of the Thames. Dwarfing Big Ben, it would dominate the heart of London and disastrously disturb the world famous view of the Houses of Parliament.

Until you drew attention to it, few people had heard of this monstrous project. Those who object should quickly make their protests at the public inquiry in Brixton Town Hall, which is in its final stages. Alternatively, they should write at once to the Inspector, who is presiding at the inquiry and who will present his recommendations to the minister-

Let all who care speak up, before the face of London is irreparably disfigured. Yours faithfully. DUNCAN-SANDYS,

President, Civic Trust, 17 Carlton House Terrace, SW1.

From the Director of the Tate

Sir, I am afraid your readers will be as surprised as we are by the story (January 14) of a tower block opposite the Tate Gallery being used to house the Turner Bequest. The Trustees have never had the

slightest intention of doing any such thing. In any case, we now have, as your readers know, the magnificent offer of money to build a specially appointed Turner Museum on the hospital site, in mediately adjacent to the Tate. This would be made in memory of Sir Charles Clore, who was a benefactor to the Tate Gallery as far back as 1959, and who we know wanted to do something to solve the long-standing Turner problem shortly before his death last July.

As for the Green Giant by Vauxhall Bridge, the owners of the site, European Ferries, asked the Tate Trustees some months ago whether they would be interested in taking over, at a peppercorn rent, the exhibition space planned to ex-tend over the ground level of the site, including some of the garden area. Whatever the merits or demerits of the building and the scheme, it was an offer that we felt we must consider seriously, given the fact that despite the opening of the Tate extension last sum-mer, we are still unable to exhibit a large part of the collection. But the building would obviously be more suitable for showing contemporary work, so that living artists can be better seen by the public, and nobody ever thought of putting the Turners there. We continue to believe that this great master's work must be seen alongside the rest of the historic British collection, and hope very much that the proposals now being discussed will allow us to achieve this. Yours faithfully.

ALAN BOWNESS, Director, The Tate Gallery, Millbank. SW1. January 14.

#### Art inheritance

From Mr Hugh Leggatt Sir. Miss Frances Gibb reports (Jan-

uary 12) the sale of works of art from Althorp and refers to the heavy capital taxes faced by Lord Spencer on the death of his father. She also refers to the new "£15.5" million safety net to preserve works of art, historic houses and land". It cannot be stressed too force-fully that, without the easing of

penal capital taxetion in the forth-coming budget, the safety net of the new fund will be able to finance the retention in this country of only a minute fraction of the large number of works of art which are likely to be forced onto the market from British private houses as a result of inflation and taxation. The Minister for the Arts, Mr

Norman St John-Stevas, has given a lead by introducing the National Heritage Bill but it is now the turn of Sir Geoffrey Howe, as Chancellor of the Exchequer, to follow suit by cutting back capital taxation in order to help conserve our dwindling inheritance of works of art. Yours faithfully,

HUGH LEGGATT, 17 Duke Street, St James's, SW1. January 13.

#### Pronouncing Kabul From the Headmaster of Winchester College

Sir, It is not surprising that there should be more than one Afghan way of pronouncing Kabul. After all, how should one advise an Afghan visitor here to pronounce Newcastle, or Greenwich? And one would certainly hope he wouldn't ask about Cirencester. Yours faithfully, JOHN THORN,

The Headmaster, The College, January 12.

#### Whim-wham

From Admiral Sir Frank Twiss Sir, I was intrigued to read Miss Audrey Hogston's letter (January 11) about "Whim-whams" having learnt, and occasionally used, the expression "Whim-wham for a goose's bridle" since I was a mic-

In the course of instruction by the Commissioned Boatswain of a Battleship in 1928, I was warned that if a youngster asked a silly question deserving a silly answer he was likely to be dismissed with the words, "It's a whim-wham for a goose's bridle".

I have always supposed that this expression had a naval or scafaring ancestry. Yours faithfully, F. R. TWISS. East Marsh Farm, Bratton, Westbury, January 11.

January 10.

#### Census returns "in the present ner-yous mood of the minority com-It will also be very difficult to persuade these communities that the information is sought in order that public policy meet their needs. They are understandably anxious about the use to which it will be put by a Government which, on the ground

Sir, Your leading article (January 10) is right in all but its conclusion.
All the while that race persists as an apparent cause of discrimination and a correlate of inequality it is not superfluous for the census to attempt an assessment of the population in terms of race or colour.
It is "ethnic origin" that is less

Ethnic questions in the 1981 Census

important because there is little evidence that those who discrimi-nate are aware of the subleties of linguistic or religious difference. Even a question which enabled us to know whether an individual regarded himself as "white" or not would be helpful in demonstrating these persistent inequalities.

There is ample evidence on the value of the census for this purpose. It was census data that revealed unemployment rates among black teenagers to be twice the national average. It was census data that were used to show how racial mino-rities had become concentrated in the most derelict, overcrowded and least secure sectors of inner city housing and how some local authorities had apparently overlooked these areas in planning redevelop-

ment. It was census data that helped demonstrate that, far from racial minorities making disproportionate demands on social services, the opposite was in fact the case. It was census data that showed how some racial minorities were perticularly poorly placed in terms of occupational position and educa-

tional achievement. It is important that confidentiality is assured, but those who wish to omit this question for reasons of expediency or technical difficulty risk a decade where the claims of racial minorities are taken even less seriously than before. Yours faithfully,

MALCOLM CROSS, Senior Research Fellow, Research Unit on Ethnic Relations. The University of Aston in

From Miss Marian Gerrard Sir, In your editorial of January 10 you rightly refer to the difficulty

#### Law on rented property From Mr Alec Samuels

Sir. The Housing Bill now before Parliament proposes extensive amendments to the Rent Act, 1977. Well and good. Can we have an assurance from Government that before the amendments come into force a clean amended consolidated Rent Act will be passed so that all the law will be in one place? This would be of immense help ro tenants, landlords, lawyers, advisers (such as Citizens' Advice Bureaux workers), public officials, and many

others. Yours faithfully, ALEC SAMUELS, Faculty of Law, The University, Southampton. January &

#### Enormous enormity From Dr Hugh David

Yours faithfully,

MARIAN GERRARD.

2 Campbell Road, E17. January 11.

Sir, Students of the English language will have been relieved to learn from your Saturday Review that the television director to whom

the Royal Shakespeare Company delegated the boiling down and revision in contemporary sociological terms of the bulk of classical Greek drama was aware of the enormity" of his task-although he appears to think that this word implies great size rather than, as the Oxford English Dictionary asserts, monstrous wickedness. Yours sincerely,

H. DAVID. Appartement 160. 15 Avenue Gabrielle d'Estrees, Le Coudray-Montceaux, 91830 France.

Birthdays today Professor R. B. Braithwaite, 80; Lord Dacre of Glanton, 66; Baroness Elliot of Harwood, 77; Sir Peter Garran, 70; Sir Percival Griffiths, 81; Lord Hill of Luton, 76; Sir John Junor, 61; Lord Lever of Manchester, 66; General Sir Roderick McLeod, 75; Miss Augusta North, 102; Lord Simon of Glatsdale, 69.

#### Bertrand Russell Memorial

It is proposed to place a memorial bust of Bertrand Russell in the gardens of Red Lion Square, WC1. The permission of Camden Council has been obtained and the sculptor will be Mr Marcelle Quinton. An appeal to meet costs (up to £5,000) has been made by Sir Alfred Ayer, Lord Ritchie-Caider. Mrs Dora Russell, Lord Brockway (chairman of the appeal committee), Mrs. Frank Dohson, MP, Lord Willis, Mr Peter Cadogan (secretary), Mr John Gilmour and Baroness Wootton of Abinger. Donations will be appreciated and cheques should be made out to the Bertrand Russell Memorial Appeal and sent to the appeal c/o SPES. Conway Hall, Red Lion Square, London, WC1. Council has been obtained and the

#### Epsom College

The Lent Term begins today with 591 boys and 32 girls in the school. D. T. Clark is head of school and M. A. Fahmy is captain of hockey. The choral society is performing the St Matthew Passion, by J. S. Bach, on Sunday. February 3. in the chapel, and the school play is on March 20, 21 and 22. Term ends on Thursday, March 27.

#### Harrow School

The Spring Term began yesterday.

A. J. C. Collett (Druries) is head of the school this term. Founder's Day will be celebrated on Saturday, March 1. The commemoration service in chapel will take place at 5.45 pm, at which the preacher will be the Dean of Windsor. An Old Harrovian supperparty will be held in the even. Windsor, An Old Harrovian supper party will be held in the even-ing. A performance of Bach's St John Passion will be given in speech room on Friday, March 21. Term ends on Friday, March 28.

#### Kelly College

The Easter Term begins today.
J. P. Lean and O. Quint are joint heads of school. Mr R. H. Bishop is to be Housemaster of Conway House in September in succession to Mr J. H. Duff, who has been appointed Rector of Kelvinside appointed Rector of Reinisage Academy. Sixth Form Entrance Scholarships have been awarded to S. L. Cooper, E. S. Gubbins, J. M. Hughes and H. E. Müller. The Kelly Choral Society and Orchestra will perform Bach's B Minor Mass in Tayistock on March 22 and in Plymouth on Passion Sunday. in Plymouth on Passion Sunday.

#### The Leys School

The Lent Term begins today, Mr P. R. Lacey succeeds Mr T. M. Ham as Housemaster of East. The senior prefect is C. N. Partinson and the captain of hockey T. A. J. Brookes. The half-term exeat is from February 15 to 18. The joint Methodist-Anglican confirmation Methodist-Anglican confirmation service will be held on March 27 and term ends on March 28.

#### - St Edward's School 'The Spring Term started on Sunday. The head of school is S. C. Brentnall.

#### -Westminster School

Lent Term at Westminster School begins today. There are 548 members of the school. C. C. S. Barborne (QS) is captain of the school and N. A. M. D. Service (Grants) is Princeps Oppidanorum.
The Tizard Lecture on Tuesday,
March 4, at S.45 pm, will be given
by Professor Martin Rees. The school concert is at St Margaret's, Westminster, on March 19, at 8.00

#### Wrekin College

The Lent Term begins today. Andrew Beckett is head of school. There will be an Old Wrekinian dinner at Guildhall ou Founder's iool's centenary. Term ends on

#### Luncheon

HM Government Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith, Minis Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith, Minister of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, was host at a luncheon given by her Majesty's Government at Admiralty House yesterday in honour of Señor Jalme Lamo de Espinosa, Minister of Agriculture, Spain.

#### Latest appointments

Latest appointments include: Mr Harold Hewitz to be a circuit judge on the North-Eastern Rear-Admiral W. D. M. Staveley to be promoted Vice-Admiral on April 11 and to be Vice-Chief of Naval Staff in succession to Admiral Sir Anthony Morton in

marriages Mr P. Naylor Leyland and Lady Isabella Lambton The engagement is amnounced between Philip, son of Sir Vivyan Naylor Leyland, Bt, and of The Hon Mrs Hastings, and Isabella, daughter of Lord and Lady Lambton

Mr J. M. G. Cox and Miss S. J. Gooderson The engagement is announced between Michael, eldest twin son of Mr and Mrs John Cox, of Har-penden. Hertfordshire, and Suzanne, only daughter of Mr John Gooderson, of Farnham, Surrey, and Mrs Heather Gooderson, of

Mr N. M. Maybury
and Miss S. E. Carroll
The engagement is announced
between Neil Martin, elder son
of Mr and Mrs Leouard Maybury,
of Harborne, and Sally Elizabeth,
only daughter of Mr and Mrs Ken
Carroll, of Streetly, Sutton Coldfield.

# M R. du Pasquier and Mile H. d'Harcourt The engagement is announced between Remi, son of M and Mme Gérard du Pasquier, and Hattle, daughter of Comte and Comtesse Anne-Pierre d'Harcourt (Laurian

Mr J. P. Fresson
and Miss L. M. Cobb
The engagement is appointed
between Justin, son of Air
Commodore and Mrs N. H.
Fresson, of Sydenham House,
Lewdown, Devon, and Lindsay,
daughter of Commander and Mrs
A. P. Cobb, of High Combe,
South Stoke, near Bath.

# £80.000 cabinet is saved

from export By Our Sale Room.

A superb marquetry cabinet went on view at the Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle, co Durham, yesterday having been saved from export to the Paul Getty Museum in Malibu. California

The cabinet was valued at 580,000 when an export licence was applied for in the middle of last year. The licence was withheld to give the museum a chance to raise funds to match the price. It was given until December 25 to find the money.

The annual purchase grant of the museum is only £7,000, but help towards the purchase has come from many sources. Notable among them have been the National Art-Collections Fund, the Victoria and Albert Museum. Victoria and Albert Museum Purchase Grant Fund, the Friends of the Bowes Museum and a local industrial company.

The cabiner has spent most of its life at Warwick Castle, home of the earls of Warwick; it was first recorded there about 1810.

The cabinet comprises seven-teenth-century French marquetry panels of superb quality; the chief panel is in various shades of gold and brown against an ebonized background and depicts a bowl of flowers, a King Charles spantel, a cock, a hen and chickens, as well as an assortment of birds and butterflies.

The marquetry panels were mounted together as a cabinet about 1770, about 100 years after original creation. Late

#### 16-point win in teams bridge contest

By Our Bridge Correspondent rvice By Our Bridge Correspondent rum. A total of 144 teams competed in the National Swiss Teams contest organized by the English Bridge Union in Liverpool at the

However, the nearest challenger, M. H. Airey's team, lost its last match 8 to 12, to be overtaken for second place by the holders of the trophy, A. E. Reveley's team, whose spirited but belated defence of the title included two maximum wins maximum wins.

maximum wins.

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Talow (North-east). 171; E. Blum. S.
J. Prince. Mr. and Mrs. G. Kerr
(Essex), 171.

## Service dinner

RAF Escaping Society The annual New Year dinner of the RAF Escaping Society was held at the Victory Services Club on Saturday. Air Chief Marshal Sir Lewis Hodges presided and Mr S. G. Holroyd, chairman, also

## Mr A. Bloembergen and Miss A. Bischoff

The engagement is announced The engagement is amounted between Auke, son of Mr E. Bloembergen, of Bilthoven, Holland, and Mrs T. Rutgers-Dagevos, of Amstelveen, Holland, and Angelica, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. H. Bischoff, of Johannesburg, South Africa South Africa.

#### Mr R. P. Davison

Mr R. P. Davison
and Miss A. Dallas
The engagement is adnounced
between Robin Phelps, son of
Major and Mrs T. A. Davison, of
The Glebe House, Great Bedwyn,
Wiltshire, and Amanda. younger
daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony
Dallas, of Blackmoor, Burghileld,
Reveshire

Mr C. R. S. Hood
and Miss T. V. Lovell
The engagement is announced
between Charles, younger son of
Wing Commender J. S. F. Hood,
OBE, and Mrs Hood, of Grange
de Lings, Lincoln, and Tessa,
younger daughter of the late Mr
Douglas Lovell, of Merryn Cottage,
Wrington, Bristol.

Wrington, Bristol. Captain R. E. Murray Willis, R.L. and Miss F. A. Adams
The engagement is aunounced between Robert, youngest son of Mr and Mrs P. E. Murray Willis, of Woods Green, Sussex, and Fenella, youngest daughter of Lieut-Colonel and Mrs W. R. P. Adams, of Hartfield, Sussex.

M P. Lebard
and Miss M-A. Bromhead
The engagement is announced
between Philippe, sou of M and
Mme Jean Lebard, of l'ontoise,
Val d'Olse, France, and Marjory
Anno dannitude of Professionance Anne, daughter of Professor and Mrs P. A. Bromnead, of Abbois

# Mr J. C. Boothman and Miss S. H. Richardson The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Mr and Mrs T. H. Boothman, of Little Court, Mont Cambrai, St Lawrence, Jersey, and Susan, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs W. E. Richardson, of Amador, Tower

#### Mr J. T. P. Widdowson

Mr J. 1. P. Windowson and Miss F. S. Macphie
The engagement is announced between Ian, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. B. Widdowson, of Kell. School, Dumbarton, and Flona, daughter of Mr and Mrs C. S. Macphie, of Knock Hill House, Glenbervie, Kincardineshire.

Mr R. J. Power and Miss M. R. Towler The engagement is announced between Richard John, son of Major and Mrs J. P. R. Power, of Runnington House, Wellington, Somerset, and Margaret Ruth, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. H. Towler, of Hill Farm, Halse, Brackley, Northamptonshire.

#### Mr T. Gledbill and Miss A. Harrington The engagement is announced between Timothy, second son of Mr and Mrs D. Gledhill of Blackpool, and Ann, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J. R. Harrington,

# Marriage

Mr D. H. Parkinson
and Miss M. R. Price
The marriage took place on Saturday, January 12, 1980, in the
Queen's Chanel of the Savoy
between Mr Dale Hope Parkinson
and Miss Marian Rosallad Price. Canon Edwyn Young officiated. A reception was held at the Savoy Hotel.

# Scot wins prize for radio play

OBITUARY

powers and increasing authority over the years. His judicial temper of mind, his calm throughout some heated debates

and his total lack of self-concern warmly commended him to the assembly and made

his election to the presidium

It was interesting that a

Baptist should have become so

ecumenically representative a figure, for his own denomina-tion was markedly in two minds

in regard to ecumenical com-

Ernest Alexander Payne was born of Baptist parents in Lon-don on February 19, 1902. Re

always acknowledged the spiritual influence on him of the

Dean of King's College. London, during his period of study there. The Dean at that time was W. R. Matthews, after-

wards for so long Dean of St

Payne went for his ministerial

training to the Baptist college in Regent's Park, and came under the influence of one who was to be his mentor in many

time that he met James Chadwick, discoverer of the neutron,

who had been working with Geiger and had been caught by

the outbreak of hostilities. Chadwick was working in a stable in Ruhleben the intern-

ment camp carrying out experi-mental research. Ellis, later to be Chadwick's colleague at

Cambridge, learnt much from Chadwick starting with the

quantum theory and radio-activity, since Chadwick's inter-

Nernst and Lise Meitner; the

war learn.

mitment.

Paul's.

By Martin Huckerby

The prize for the best radio play in the London Play Awards. announced yesterday, was won by The Katuddiya, a romantic story set in Sri Lanka. It was written under the nom-de-plume of Jemina de Silvas by Mr Howard Purdie, aged 41, a Scot who lives in Plumpstead, south London. The awards, are made jointly

by the Greater London Arts Association and Capital Radio. Mr Purdic receives £750 and the opportunity to have his play broadcast. There were 220 entries. broadcast. There were ZZU entries.

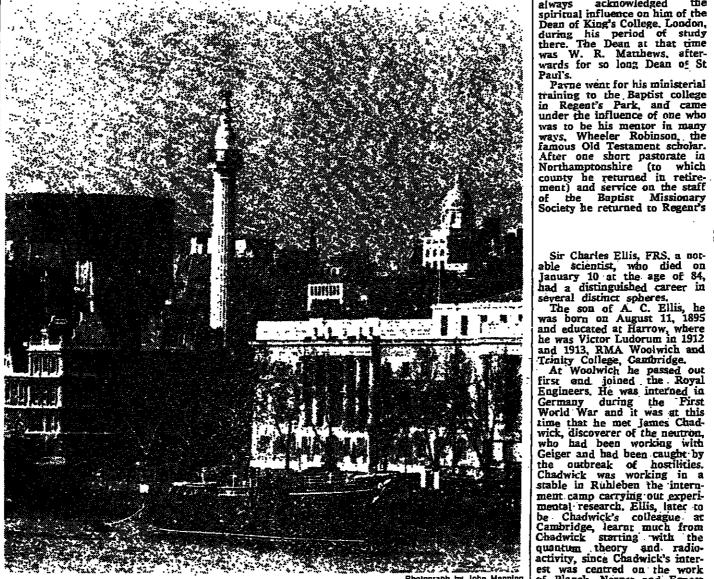
The first prize of £750 for the best stage play was won by Mr John Petherbridge, aged 36, from Bromley, south London. His play. Passing Through, which is set in a refuge for battered women, was described by Ian McKellen, the actor, who presented the prize, as a play "which I long to see staged very soon, and which I recommend you to go and see."

The second prize, of £500, was

The second prize, of £500, was won by Berta Freistadt, of west London, for Keely's Mother, a play which Mr McKellen described as "an extended metaphor about cannibalism."

As part of the award, Mr Petherbridge's play will be produced by a London theatre

company.



The mastless HMS Discovery in the Pool of London yesterday. She is being moved to Sheerness to be restored and later will be taken to St Katherine's Dock.

# The margin of victory for G. T. Kirby's team was a convincing 16 points, but interest was maintained until the end because with 20 points at stake in each match and a lead of 14 with one round to be played, the team's position was by no means impregnable. However the nearest challenger by Geraldine Norman By Geraldine Norman

A Victorian cutiery service in Kings pattern made the top price in the sale at 51,800 (estimate £1,500). The 55 pieces are of various dates ranging between 1827 and 1857, with a combined weight of 120oz.

Sotheby's at the weekend were testing out a new way into the Spanish market. They held a mixed property sale at the Ritz

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent
Antique silver is spiralling in price in parallel with silver bullion and gold. The stiver sale at Christie's, South Kensington, yesterday totalled £37,945, with just over 1 per cent unsold.
Relatively modern pleces, where the bullion value is the main component of the price, have been rising most rapidly in value. That was underlined by an Edwardian four-piece, pear-shaped tea and coffee service, which sold for £1,300 to D'Ortrona, against an estimate of £800. The service was made by Mappin and Webb in Sheffield in 1903 and weighed 74.75oz.

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## Today's engagements

book and print, Victoria and Albert Museum, Cromwell Road, 10 to 5.50.

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An Evening with Hermann Prey, who will be interviewed by Frank Granville Barker, Goethe Institute. 50 Princess Gate. London, 7.30.

Lectures: Metamorphosis of Narcissus, by Salvador Dali, Tate Gallery, Millbank, 6.30; Steam in the 60s' by David Hughes, Foxcote Manor Society, RAOB Club, 37 City Road, Chester, 7.30

Registal—Lecture: My Townest

Recital—Lecture: My Trumpet and I, by Barry Collarbone, with Peter Evans, Scottish Phil-harmonic Club, The Queen's Hall, Clerk Street, Edinburgh, 7.30.

# of Planck, Nernst and Ernest Rutherford.

Exhibitions: Goodbye London,
Docks, Museum of London,
London Wall; Arthur Rackham, 1867-1939, City Museum
and Art Gallery, Queen's Road,
Bristol, 10 to 5: 7 & 5 Society
Exhibition, Parkin Gallery, 11
Motcomb Street, Westminster,
10 to 6: Greek Folk Art, Horniman Museum, London Road. man Museum, London Road, Forest Hill, 10.30 to 6; Laugh Lines, cartoons, foyer, Lyric Theatre, Hammersmith, all day; Costume and fashion in

Sir Charles Ellis, FRS, a not-able scientist, who died on January 10 at the age of 84, had a distinguished career in several distinct spheres.
The son of A. C. Ellis, he was born on August 11, 1895 lenges of new technology and the realization of a statistical the investigations of the last 12 years. Ellis, who later became a university lecturer in physics at Cambridge, was appointed Wheatstone Professor of Physics at King's College, London. He was elected FRS largely a craft industry into one and educated at Harrow, where he was Victor Ludorum in 1912 and 1913, RMA Woolwich and Trinity College, Cambridge.

At Woolwich he passed out first and joined the Royal Engineers. He was interned in Germany during the First World War and it was at this time that he mer James Chadto convert what had been largely a craft industry into out which depended on the appliin 1929.

Ellis held posts as in many of its business func-fic Adviser to the Army tions. As a scientific member Scientific Adviser to the Army Council and as a member of the Advisory Council on the Advisory Council on Scientific Research and Tech-Scientific Research and recunical Development to the of that body and emphasized the need for rigorous statistical analysis of bioassay experiments. For many years he challenge of seek. operational research. He was knighted in 1946. operational research. He was knighted in 1946.

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Ellis went up to Trinity rapid pace.

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SUSAN BEATRICE PEARSE

Lovers of children's books will remember her as the illustrator and collaborator of the popular "Ameliaranne" stories which first appeared in 1920. She was the illustrator of many other nursery favourites of the twenties and earlier, and a major contributor to the *Children's En* cyclopaedia. Her well-known poster design of the 1930s for "Start-rite" shoes, retains its freshness on hoardings even to-

She was born and brought up at Fair Oak, in Hampshire; her father was a journalist with the Evening Standard. Her am-bition was to become a watercolourist and after training at the Kensington College of Art she exhibited at the Royal Academy, the Royal Institute and other leading galleries. While at college she met and later married the late W. E. Webster, the noted portrait painter.

Throughout her life her slight afternoons.

#### MR JOHN NAIMASTER

Mr John Lynch Naimaster died on January 6 in his 75th year after a fall when he broke his ankle. "Jack," as he was familiarly known, was educated at St Paul's School, and later became a Trustee and vice-president of the Old Pauline Club.

He served in the Artists

Drawings in 1977. He was an acknowledged specialist in English water colours.

He presented to St Paul's School three fine collections—Engraved Views of the School; The Engraved Portraits of Past Pauline High Master; and the published works of Edward

Club.

He served in the Artists Rifles and was commissioned in the Oxfordshire & Buckinghamshire Light Infantry (now part of the Royal Green Jackets), becoming a Company Commander in 1940. Subsequently he went to the Staff College and finally the War Office in the Military Training Liaison Branch.

Lisison Branch.

He will be remembered by will be remembered by his association with the art world, from his 38 years at Walker's Gulleries then to the Fine Art Society in 1962 to 1976 where he became the chairman and managing director and finally as a decision. tor and finally as a drawings consultant to Sothebys Depart-ment of British Paintings and

Susan Beatrice Pearse (Mrs
W. E. Webster) died ou January 3, 18 days before her 102nd
birthday.
Lovers of children's books too, and took herself off to such places as India, Florida and Egypt.
Although she had a house

in London, she had an overrid-ing love for the village of Blew-bury, in Oxfordshire. There she built her studio, close to the stream where Kenneth Grahame conceived The Wind in the Willows. She became a well-loved and respected member of the community of artists and writers who made their homes in the area.

Trissy, as she was known, was never happier than when drawing young children busy at play. Young neighbours were her frequent visitors and often modelled for her illustrations and paintings. Her appreciation for the fun and games, joy and excitement of childhood remained with her all how the plant of the fun and games. excitement of childhood remained with her all her life. She will be sadly missed by all relatives, friends and neighbours and those who popped into the studio for tea on sunny afternost.

He presented to St Paul's School three fine collections—Engraved Views of the School; The Engraved Portraits of Past Pauline High Master; and the published works of Edward Thomas. And to Sussex University he gave a collection of Sussex topographical works.

He was elected as honorary He was elected an honorary member of the Royal Society of Painters in water colours as a tribute to his contribution to the scholarship of the art of water colour painting.

As he wrote of himself,
"Unable to abide the pompous
or the boring—unlikely, it is
hoped, to become either." He
will be sadly missed by his
many friends and colleagues in
the art world who owe him
a debt of gratitude for his
kindly advice and the generous kindly advice and the generous sharing of his knowledge. He leaves a widow.

Former President of World Council of Churches The Rev Dr Ernest Payne, C.H., who died yesterday at the age of 77, was the only English Freechurchman to be a President of the World Council of Churches, an office which he held from 1968 to 1975. He was elected to that office at the Council's fourth assembly at Uppsala in 1968 in succession to the then Archbishop of Canterbury. Dr Ramsey, now Lord Ramsey of Canterbury. Be had in fact presided over the bulk of the business sessions of that assembly in his capacity as vice-chairman of the central committee, a heavy office which he held from 1954, and to which he brought all his powers and increasing authority over the years. His judicial from commanding pulpits. By a strange irony, Payne was to be-come a far more widely influ-ential figure in church counsels contribution of Dissent to national history had been

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significant one. The conferment of the Com-The conferement of the Companionship of Honour on Payne in 1968, the year of his retirement from his Baptist office was specifically for his services to the World and British County of Churches cils of Churches.

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His presidency of the Work Council of Churches was an active and influential one right up to the Nairobi Assembly of November-December, 1975, and the characteristic vigour he presided over some of the sessions. Right to the very end of his term of office he was very involved with their ecumenical interests which had marked his life.

After relinquishing the office movement was through its faith and order side in which he retained a close interest. At the second assembly of the World Council of Churches he was (somewhat surprisingly, for he was still virtually a newcomer to the Council) elected to the very influential office of vicechairman of the central committee. Henceforward his life until its close was to be punctuated by regular travels across the world in the interests of the World Council. He did not After reliaquishing the office he was successively Vice-Presi find it easy to be forthcoming,

dent (1976-77) and President (1977-78) of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland Towards the end of his life he was honoured, too, in a unique way with an Honorary Presidency of the British Council of Churches, a new office created for him as a mark of his ecumenical stand ing.

Payne married Winifred Mary Davies. They had one daughter.

cation of scientific disciplines

of the Tobacco Research Coun-

cil he helped establish and

#### SIR CHARLES ELLIS

**REV DR ERNEST PAYNE** 

because his training and bent of mind had fitted him for the

particular moment when the ecumenical movement was burst-

His own introduction to the

and he was not a compelling speaker, but the combination of

amazing industry with an acute mind and a perceptive interest in people (which natural shy-

ness did not wholly disguise) earned for him the deserved

confidence of churchmen of very varied traditions. This was also true in Britain. From 1962 to 1971 he was chair-

of the Baptist Missionary man of the executive committee Society he returned to Regent's of the British Council of

ing into wider prominence.

entitled Radiations from Radio-active Substances in which the authors, after summarizing early work on radioactivity, dealt fully and critically with the investigations of the last

During the Second World

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industry until ill-health meant the could be could he could no longer receive visitors.

Even after his final retire

Among other appointments held by Ellis, he was at various times president of the British Time Coal Utilization Research Association, a member of the Advisory Council to the Ministry of Fuel and Power (1947-55); amember of the court of governors at the Administrative Staff College and the Civil Defence Senior Scientific Adviser in the

#### MISS GERTRUDE **COLLINS**

K. S. writes: Many musicians, and especially those concerned with the group teaching of violin, will learn with sorrow of the recent death of Miss Gertrude
Collins, MBE. In the introduction to her book, Violin Teaching in Class, she gives an
engaging account of how
sceptically and with much
refuctance, she allowed herself

to be persuaded to attempt group instruction of "14 wideeyed eight-year-olds clutching that half-size fiddles (soon to be divided into eight and six), who divided into eight and six), who "proved to me that the violin could be learned in class". Within four years she was teaching 150 in the same school, and in course of time seven of the original 14 had become professional players or teachers.

professional players or teachers. In those early days, and for some years to come, she taught groups in various schools and colleges entirely by the light of her great native wit, but subsequent work for the Rural Music Schools Association and as a part-time inspector for the Ministry of Education brought her into touch with others working in the same field, to whom she gave much, but from whom, like the great teacher that she was, she also learnt constantly.

In 1959 she was appointed to the staff of the newly formed Music Department of the University of London Institute of Education as a full-time tutor helping to train qualified musicians from universities and conservatoires for teaching. Here her fine musicianship, keen mind and incisive speech and action (these last sometimes achieved after much inner debate on questions about music in schools as it then was) made her a source of deep inspiration to the students. made her a source of deep inspiration to the students. Unhappily, deteriorating health led her to resign in the mid-sixties, though she was later able to resume for some years

In good health, Gertrude Collins had a remarkably radiant presence, and the light; shone through in her playing and teaching. In both she was a superlative artist.

a certain amount of free-lance.

## Science report Genetics: Role of mysterious molecules

By the staff of Nature
As molecular biologists discovered a few years ago, man, animals and plants have a more complicated task than hitherto suspected in translating the genetic instructions stored in their chromosomes.

Unlike the simpler bacterial genes, the individual genes of higher organisms are commonly split into as many as 13 pieces, widely separated along the chromosome, and the cell faces the task of assembling these scattered instructions into a coherent genetic message.

message.

The way in which the cell deals with its "split genes" has been worked out in broad outline but the detailed mechanisms for some the detailed mechanisms for some of the steps in the process are still a matter of speculation. In a recent issue of Nature, a group of molecular biologists from Yale University proposes a crucial role in one of these steps for a mysterious class of small molecules found more than 10 years ago in the nuclei of animal cells.

All genes instruct the production

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All genes instruct the production of proteins, the most important type of biological molecule. The instructions are encoded in the chemical structure of the DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) molecules of which genes are composed. DNA is a long chain-like molecule composed of four different chemical subunits or nucleotides strung together in an almost infinite variety of combinations.

When any particular protein is needed by the cell, the first step in decoding the genetic instructions is the synthesis of a complemen-

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hary copy of the appropriate gene in a slightly different nucleic acid —RNA. This provides a mobile, dispensable message that acts 23

direct instruction for protein

of the way RNA is made, any complete copy of the gene containing
all the necessary information will
also contain, interspersed between
the blocks of genetic "sense",
stretches of "nonsense" RNA
which must be removed so that a
continuous genetic message can be
generated before the cell will be
able to translate the RNA
correctly.

The cells of higher organisms

correctly.

The cells of higher organisms can indeed remove these unnecessary stretches of RNA (the intervening sequences) in a process known as "splicing", in which special enzymes chop out the correct sequences with exquisite precision and rejoin the cut ends to produce a continuous "messenger RNA".

Precision in this step is crucial

ger RNA".

Precision in this step is crucial as a mistake in cutting out only one nucleotide too many or too few could give an incorrect message and a useless protein. And it is to the question of determining where the cuts are made that Dr Michael Lerner, Dr Joan Boyle, Dr Stephen Mount, Dr Sandra Wolin and Professor Joan Steitz of Yale University, think that they may have found at least part of the answer.

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Soon after the nucleotide sequences of several split genes were available, people noticed that four or five nucleotides at either end of the intervening sequences were the same or very similar in different genes. It was clear that they could act as signals indicating the pieces to be cut out, but there was still a problem in explaining how the cuts could be made and the ends rejoined so precisely.

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In bacteria which have simple
continuous genes, the procedure

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ends of the intervening sequence
might be held together in some

is as simple as that; but in organisms with split genes there is an immediate problem. Because of the way RNA is made, any complete copy of the gene containing all the necessary information will also contain, interspersed between the backers of general was a many people's many people's many people's minds.

Professor Steitz and her col-

minds.

Professor Steitz and her colleagues think they have now found this bridge. They think it may be provided by a class of small RNAs that is ubiquitous in the nuclei of animal cells and whose function has been a complete mystery until now. A few of these RNAs have now been sequenced and Professor Steitz and her colleagues noticed that the first six nucleotides at the end of one of them were exactly complementary to the preferred nucleonide sequence at one end of intervening sequences.

The next three nucleotides in the small RNA matched the other end of the intervening sequence. So, they suggest, the small RNA (which occurs in the nucleus complexed to protein molecules) may bind to those parts of the initial RNA copy of the gene and hold it in the correct shape for the appropriate cell enzymes to chop out the unneeded intervening sequence, rejoin the ends and generate the final messenger RNA molecule that will eventually be translated directly into a protein molecule.

So as well as shedding some light on a crucial step in the path-

So as well as shedding some light on a crucial step in the pathway by which the cell translates its genetic instructions, the American team has also found a role for a mystery molecule that has puzzled biologists for years. Source: Nature 10 January (283, 220; 1980). O Nature-Times News Service,

Latest wills Latest estates include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed): 

Judge sworn in Mr Thomas Patrick Russell, QC, Recorder of Barrow-in-Furness for the past eight years, was sworn in as a High Court judge yester-day.

Correction The name of Sir Mark Henig, for 10 years chairman of the English Tourist Board, who died on January 30, 1979, should have appeared under the heading "Public service", nor "Sport". In the Review of the Year obstrary of December 31.

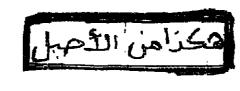
25 years ago From The Times of Friday, Jan 14, 1955 Formosa treaty

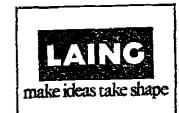
From Our Own Correspondent Washington, Jan 13.—It is under-stood that among the papers sent by the President to Congress with the Formosa Defence Treaty is a written undertaking by General Chiang Kai-shek not to

who has been appointed a commissioner of customs and excise, responsible for the control of value-added tax. She joined Customs and Excise in 1961.

Taxing appointment: Mrs

Valerie Strachan, aged 40, attack the Chinese mainland without prior consultation with the
United States. It was always assumed that the negotiations involved some such arrangement
under the set of working rules to
which Mr Dulles referred when
the defence pact was signed. In
effect the situation seems to revert
to what it was when President
Truman dispatched the Seventh
Flect to the Strait of Formosa,
though this, may not now be reflected in its operational orders.





Stock markets FT Ind 445.8 up 10.6 FT Gilts 67.83 up 1.03

Sterling \$2.2760 up 1.85 cents Index 71.4 up 0.4

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Index 84.4 unchanged 🗷 Gold

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#### IN BRIEF

# **Board** to discuss director's future

Mr Graham Palmer, divi-sional chairman and director of international commodity brok-ers Gill & Duffus faces the main board today to discuss his

He has been with the company for about 25 years and heads Gill & Duffus Ltd whose activities in cocoa, metals, coffee and sugar contributes around half United Kingdom profits and 25 per cent of group

His joint managing director Mr Roger Thorne said last night: "It is an unofficial board meeting at which Mr Palmer's future will be dis-cussed. The talks do not relate to any profit performance. I'm not sure I'll be there. We will be making a statement after the

meeting."

Gill & Duffus's year ended in Pecember and the figures, due in March, are expected to show the first drop in profits for 20 years by £2.7m to £20m.

#### Rolls buoyant

Despite the road transport and engineering disputes, Rolls-Royce Motors produced 3,344 cars last year, only three fewer than the record output of 1978. Since 1974, production of Rolls-Royce cars has risen 15 per cent and the number exported has gone up by 25 per cent. This compares with a drop of over 30 per cent in produc-tion and export for the British car industry as a whole.

#### Tate and Lyle action

Tate and Lyle Refineries vesterday sued the Greater London Council and the Port of London Authority claiming £750,000 damages for silting of the Woolwich Reach of the Thames allegedly caused by the construction of Wooly Terminal Tate and Lyle have carried on business since 1879 as sugar refiners from premises at Woolwich Reach. The GLC and PLA are denying negli-

Energy saving

Coal and nuclear power are the only economic energy alternatives for petroleum during the rest of this century, a national academy of sciences report said, in Washington.

The report, which took four years to complete, was prepared for the United States Department of Energy and recom-mended the development of a major synthetic fuels industry.

Concorde plan

Brinish Airways and Singa-pore Airlines are looking into plens to extend the present jointly-run London-Singapore Concorde flight to Hongkong and on to the United States. If the flight does take place, Concorde would almost fly around the world. At present, Provide Almost Alm Braniff Airlines operates a Concorde flight from Dallas/ Fort Worth to London.

Far East trade talks

Mr John Nott, Secretary for Trade, is to visit Japan, Korea and Hongkong for talks ontrade and economic affairs from January 18 to January 31,

Wall St up

The Dow-Jones industrial average rose 5.04 to 863-57 and advances led declines 887 to 685. Turnover rose slightly to 52.93 million shares. The exchange value of the dollar against the SDR was 1.32277. Sterling was 0.584391

# a gallon as BP passes on new Forties rate

**Energy Correspondent** 

British Petroleum today began a new wave of petrol price increases which brings a gal-ion of four-star to about 125p at the pumps.

The increase, which was imoosed from midnight and will be followed by the BP subsi-diary, National Benzole, comes after the fixing yesterday of a new price of \$29.75 a barrel for crude oil from BP's Forties Field, the most prolific pro-ducer in the North Sea.

BP has increased four-star petroi by 4p on wholesale prices. It made an interim increase of 1.8p at the end of December, and with VAT these rises put between 61p and 7p on a gallon which is likely to sell at around 125p.

Other companies are expected to raise prices by differing amounts, depending on the make-up of their supplies and how far it has been possible to determine the increases they have to face in Gude costs. Esso has already put 4p on a gallon as a result of the 33 per cent increase in the cost of crude from Saudi Arabia, and Mobil has put 3p ou its whole-sale prices. The average increase should work out at between 7p and 8p by the end

of the week. In line with other United Kingdom petrol companies, BP takes at least half its crude requirements from the North Sea Agreement with the state-owned British National Oil Sea qualities, fulfill Corporation (BNOC), which has the right to buy 51 per cent consumer countries.

ing the Soviet veto against sanctions in the United Nations

EEC foreign ministers are expected at their meeting in

after the Soviet invasion of

Security Council.

Afghanistan.

of Forties production, has allowed BP to complete all the rises necessary to recoup the increase in crude costs consequent on the December Opec meeting, which left member countries free to fix their own

By the end of this week all North Sea producers should have agreed prices with the BNOC. Oper's December freefor-all made it particularly difficult to fix the right level.

A spokesman for BP said that A spokesman for BP said that \$29.75 had been agreed on the basis of comparability with similar high quality crudes from North Africa, but both Libya and Algeria have built surcharges in to their prices, charging nearly \$35 a barrel

Some North Sea producers have insisted that under participation rules BNOC must pay these prices. ENOC argued that its statutory duty of paying a market price is met by paying around \$30, at which it believes quality crude of the North African variety will settle.

A row between the "hawkish" companies and the state-owned corporation is still possible and could conceivably include court action. The Department of Energy.

however, has been anxious to be seen as doing what it can to prevent a further spiralling of oil prices. The department takes the view that the price for Forties crude, with suitable differentials for other North Sea qualities, fulfils its inter-national obligations to other

# Petrol up to 125p Cutback in Christmas spending points to decline for retailers after January sales

Spending in the shops in December stayed at about the same level as the previous month, in spite of the Christmas bonus to pensioners and the effects of back-dated income tax rebates.

The signs all point to a downturn in the nation's High Streets as soon as the January sales end. From now on there is likely to be a tightening of household budgets, since no further tax hand-outs will occur at least until the Budget.

The provisional figure for retail sales in November was put at 113! by the Department of Trade yesterday. It is estimated that, in the four months to December, the volume was 1! per cent lower than in the previous four months and fractionally below the figure in December less year. December last year.

Estimates of the volume of retail sales are seasonally adjusted and try to smooth out the usual Christmas rush. In the months from October to November, it is calculated that about £2,000m of the £6,500m spent is tied more or less directly

Retailers began the Christmas period with fairly high expectations, based on the Budget income tax rebates and the pensioners' bonus. In addition, they hoped people would be coming back to the shops after the july caused by the sharp increase in value added tax. In the event, much of the money handed out by

the Government has not been spent in the

High Streets. The failure of stores to attract buyers during the last months of 1979, when they had substantial injections of purchasing power, bodes ill for this year.

However, it is clear that, after a bad start, the December sales did not turn out to be quite the disaster which at one time appeared likely, although shops were left with heavy stocks.

January sales, still continuing in some stores, look likely to clear their stocks. But it is at a cost, in many cases, of giving bigger discounts than usual.

The effect could still turn out patchy, with the fashion field in women's wear the worst problem. This could apply particularly to specialist shops for which

fashionwear is the only or the main seil-

ing line.
Harrods, now nearly half-way through its three-week sale, said it tackled the fashionwear problem by discounting strongly. Sales are "satisfactory" and stocks should be cleared.

The cold snap has come at the right time for outerwear sales, with furs selling well. Television sets, radios and the heavier domestic electrical items have also been selling well, a much needed fillip especially in the white goods.

Harrod's first week ended with sales up 25 per cent on last year but most of this is accounted for by inflation. At the John Lewis Partnership's department stores, the first week of January showed a 27 per

The effects of inflation in the department store sector is probably around 15 per cent or slightly less.

In menswear, still to an extent adjust-ing to the switch into ready-to-wear, sales for companies like Burton Group and J. Hepworth and Sons have substantially

# Hopes of lower MLR boost shares and gilts

Hopes that interest rates have peaked and are coming down brought institutions back into gilt-edged and ordinary shares

Last week the FT index had its biggest weekly rise, 21.3 points, since last March and gained a further 10.6 points to 445.8 yesterday, its best since the end of last October. Before profit taking the index was 13.1 points ahead.

The pattern established last week of gilt-edged leading shares upward was repeated. Unrestrained by the two tap stocks, Exchequer 14 per cent 1984 and Treasury 14 per cent 1998-2001, which were exhausted in less than 24 hours of each other-gilts at the longer end

surged ahead by up to £2. Gains in shorts were sometimes as shares, and buyers quickly congood as 1.

The buying spilled into shares, and gains were seen nearly everywhere. But there were signs after the official close of business that the rally was running out of steam.

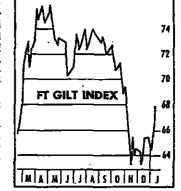
Last week's bank lending figures suggested that money growth was at last under control. Buyers immediately cleared the two tap stocks and in doing so brought the authorities within their money supply targets.

Without tap stocks to deter them, gilts climbed briskly. There are hopes of cuts in Minimum Lending Rate by the middle of next month and of further cuts in the March

vinced themselves of early steel peace. But the confidence did not last and the traditional distress signal, the gold price, continued to rise. Yesterday it took the FT gold mines index from 294.9 to 320.6.

Settlement of last week's heavy purchases of gilt-edged securities by investors contri-buted to a big shortage of funds in the money markets yester-day. The Bank of England had to provide assistance of more than £1,000m and the overnight rate for inter-bank money traded at 20-25 per cent for most of the session, briefly touching 30 per cent.

The situation should improve considerably on Wednesday when the authorities release



about £1,000m of special deposits lodged by the commercial banks at the Bank of £1,000m of

Financial Editor, page 17

#### No financial sanctions likely after Iran veto From Peter Norman Brussels, Jan 14 The question of America's European allies introducing financial sanctions against Iran appeared to be back in the melting pot this evening follow-

Brussels tomorrow to endorse a decision whereby the community will not step into the gap caused by the United States withholding 17 million tons of grain from the USSR withholding 17 million tons of grain from the USSR have given the force of law to granting of no new credit to likely that the content of the Soriet invasion of the content of the con Street yesterday with Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, left, and

the proposed financial measures. In both Britain and West Germany, there are serious legal problems about enforcing any financial and banking measures without the UN resolu-

Afghanistan.
According to diplomatic sources in Brussels, the question of whether to impose sanctions against Iran is likely to cause the foreign ministers a greater headache than in reaching a common position on Afghanistan.
Britain, West Germany and the other allies in Western Europe planned their sanctions against Iran on the assumption that they would receive Security Council backing, which would

have given the force of law to

Although Mrs Thatcher gave a strong pledge of support to the Americans in Washington last month, there are grave doubts in the Treasury and the Bank of England about the wisdom of going ahead Sanctions would, involve the

granting of no new credit to likely that the German banks— Iran, the opening of no new which made their compliance

The Germans now think the helping them out of their a position dilemma. It is extremely un- agreed to.

which made their compliance accounts; preventing the conditional on a Security Coun-Iranians from switching out of cil resolution-would follow a dollars, and being prepared to mere government appeal to foreclose on loans adhere to such sanctions.

There is some annoyance issue has to be renegotiated with the Americans, and are anxious to see whether Mr Warren Christopher, deputy United States Secretary of State who is visiting Europe their week, has any ideas for the large their some quarters that this was an attempt to force the allies into the state was any of their profition of the large they had not vet a position they had not yet

# Societies' higher rates fail to attract savers

demand for mortgages.

Societies' Association yesterday also showed that home buyers found mortgages more difficult

that building society interest rates, including the mortgage rate, could rise again, but an early decision is extremely un-likely. The societies say it is

December is always hit by Christmas spending and last mouth was also affected by the Government's decision to raise the limit on holdings of indexlinked retirement bonds.

Figures for January and February are also likely to be dis-torted by changes in national savings rates.

Mr Norman Griggs, secretary general of the Building Societies Association, said yes-terday that net receipts of £3,326m in 1979 were £16m higher than in 1978 and the amount lent, £8,856m, was up by £122m.

However, the sharp increases in house prices meant it had been possible to help only seven home buyers for every eight helped in 1978.

# Gold leaps to another record at \$656.5

By Caroline Ackinson

Gold fever returned to London yesterday. The price jumped by \$33 an ounce to close at a new record of \$656.5. The afternoon fixing was also a record at \$660.

On the world's currency markets the pound was also in strong demand. It rose by 0.4 points on its effective index to close at 71.4 per cent of its end-1971 value. Against the dollar sterling rose by cents to close at \$2.2760.

Last week's pause for breath in the bullion market has been succeeded by another rush into the metal. Dealers appeared confident yesterday that the gold price would stay high and could go up still further later this week.

uncertainty International because of Afghanistan and Iran lay behind the demand yesterday.

The bullion market now seems to be relatively independent of the foreign pendent of the foreign exchange markets. The dollar was not especially weak yester-day despite the soaring price of gold. It lost some ground against the West German and Swiss currencies but in fairly quiet trading.

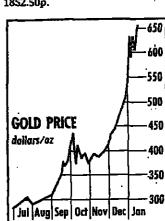
Currency markets do not appear very concerned about the steel strike and are concentrating more on the pound's attractiveness as an oil-backed

Indications that the Government is having some success in its policy of reducing money growth also boosted sterling.

Dealers believed that the Bank of England was in the market yesterday to hold down the pound. The Government is unwilling to intervene on a large scale for fear of the effects on the money supply but there is growing concern about the effect of the high pound on British industry.

Silver prices rose sharply. At the morning bullion fixing "spot" put on 134.75p per troy ounce to 1756.10p three months advanced 117.75p to 1782.10p.

In the London Metal Exchange ring, cash closed 191p up at 1815p and three months was 197.50p ahead at 1852.50p.



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# Foreign companies are queuing for Meccano

By Philip Robinson Foreign companies wanting to make Meccano abroad under

licence are queuing at Airfix Industries' London office. Industries London office.

As Airfix battles over the much criticized closure of its Liverpool Meccano and Dinky Toy plant, City sources claimed that American and Hongkong companies were the big contenders to take away what has been seen as an all-British product.

product.

Mr Ralph Ehrmann, Airfix chairman, said last night: "We have had a lot of approaches from everywhere, including the United Kingdom, but there has been no commitment from either side."

Airfix's 26 institutional share-holders, who account for 60 per cent of the equity, will meet

on January 23 and 24 to hear Mr Ehrmann talk about the company's future. Mr Ehrmann said: "It will be more philosophy than figures. I will enlarge on the management changes over the past six months and the tighter head office supervision over the

The fund managers will want to know more than that. Meccano has tost £4 million over three years and profits for Airfix for the 12 months to March 1980 are estimated by some City analysts at no more than £700,000, against £1.5 million last time.

One possible buyer is said to be the meditating Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, but Airfix said it had no talks with him since initial approach.

# Bowring predicts a bitter fight over any US offer

By Richard Allen

Insurance Correspondent surance broker, has promised a bitter fight against any takeover bid from the world's largest broking group, Marsh & McLennan of the United States.

Marsh said has mark data. C. T. Bowring, the British in-

McLennan of the United States.

Marsh said last week that it might be prepared to make a £245m cash and equity takeover offer, worth around 168p a share, if approval was forth-coming from the British board.

Bowring vesterday responded by stating that acquisition by Marsh "would not be in the best interests of the group as a whole; the businesses operated by the group, the clients and other interests".

Prominent among those in-

of whom have expressed grave disquiet " The Bowring board added

whether or not to proceed with an offer to shareholders later rhis week.

Bowring's shares were unmoved by yesterday's develop-ment and, at 139p, still reflect investors' doubts that a firm offer is certain in the near

The Office of Fair Trading has taken a preliminary look at the threatened bid but will not begin a full investigation until a firm offer is made.

Financial editor, page 17 Service.

#### Building societies had a poor difficult to identify the under-month in December despite the lying trend of receipts. record interest rates being offered to savers. Net receipts

were £161m, slightly up on November's £134m, but nowhere near enough to meet the Figures from the Building

to obtain in December than for many months previously. In December the societies

February, 1979. The amount promised was £608m, the lowest since April, 1977. There is already speculation

# **Optimism** over world

Continued from page 1 highly regarded in the field and

The analysis says that, October 1, inventories available for oil in storage tanks, as opposed to oil already in the distribution system, stood at 660 million barrels, enough for at least a 16-day supply. That

trouble in Iran began.

But this year inventories ap-parently continued to build up long past the historic turning point.—New York Times News

has not been too happy but

after a lot of survey work we

think we have got it right",

Bendies now sell in 50 coun-

# THE WELLCOME FOUNDATION LTD. oil stocks

are closely followed by both industry and government energy

is about 11 per cent above normal and 28 per cent above the level of inventories on October 1, 1978, just before the

Inventories normally reach there just before winter, when the worldwide demand for oil reaches its seasonal high. Usually the consuming coun-tries begin to draw down their tracked in the consuming counstockpiles during the middle of the fourth quarter and rely heavily on them for the rest of that quarter.

Smern Sales

Profit after tax

Profit before tax

Expenditure on research

" Total group sales were \$412 million, an increase of 8% on the previous year," says Mr A. J. Shepperd, Chairman of The Wellcome Foundation Limited, to bis annual review. Group profits before tax were \$51.6 million compared with \$51.7 million, an increase of 1 %. Net attributable profits emerged somewhat higher at \$24.2 million compared with \$23.4

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Report for the year ended 25 August 1979

"' The effects of the stronger popped are adverse to this group and if sales and profits for 1978 and 1979 are compared in local currency terms, the increases would have been approximately 18% and 16%, respectively.

"Foreign exchange losses amounted to £9.7 million compared with £3.2 million in the previous year; a relative disadvantage suffered by this last year of £6.5 million. ." The results for the year under review speak well for the underlying strength of the group and the spread of its markets. "Our exports have progressed to a new record level. The Queen's Award for Export Achievement was again given to the

company for its 1978 results. " Our capital expenditure for this last year in the United Ringdom amounted to £12 million and the group total was £27 million.

"In order more properly to reflect the underlying asset values of the group, major properties throughout the world were valued by independent professional valuers at August 1979. This gave rise to a surplus of £46 million which has been taken to reserves. Without this surplus the group's net gearing position would have remained substantially the same as last

" Our view of the immediate future is that we expect to bold our own in the difficult trading times which are anticipated. This industry is not immore from world economic adversity, nor is it able to maneeuvre its trading positions with the flexibility enjoyed by some other industries. We are generally operating around the world under price constraints which are applied too rigorously and can only learn the search for ment products. We must hope for proper consideration to the matter of prices and we must also hope that good course will prevail upon those who are in a position to affect the level of inflation in this country."



The Velicence Foundation Limited is an international group of pastroacentical and chemical companies with headquarters in the United Kingdom. Under the will of Sir Herry Velicome, all distributions can be the subject of medical and shareholders are applied by them to the support of medical and veterinary research in universities and haspitals throughout the world.

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# Prominent among those in-terests, it said, were the Bow-ring group employees, "many

# British toy company plans major expansion 'over the foam' Chinese preparing for the Shanghai bendies

Mr Charles Neufeld, the one-time industrial chemist who in 30 years has built up what he says is the world's largest privately-owned toy company, leaned back among a new range of his Bendy Toys at the Harrogate Toy Fair yesterday and talked of his overseas expansion plans, including smooth-finished foam rubber markets, including the United States and Europe. But there is no question of our United Kingdom production being affected. I don't suppose the countries including Japan and talked of his overseas expansion plans, including smooth-finished foam rubber markets, including the United States and Europe. But there is no question of our United Kingdom production being affected. I don't suppose the countries including Japan and Chinese rates will stay low anyway: low cost countries soon enough become normal tion centre at present is in seas expansion plans, including production in China. Within a year he hopes to

be producing bendies from a factory in Florida to re-enter the United States market, which he believes could produce an additional £5m a year turnover. But, by April or soon after bendies will also be coming off a Shanghai production line under an arrangement which Mr Neufeld has made with the Chinese.

Because of China's low lab-our costs the Shanghai bendies

tion centre at present is in Middlesex, has annual sales of around £100,000 in the Far

Mr Neufeld, whose annual turnover is now "many, many millions of pounds", is supplying the moulds and production expertise to the Chinese who are preparing orders.
He said: "While Chinese

labour rates are low—about 10p an hour—and with the labour content of toys like these being so high, it is possible

cost". Low cost is critical in the

United States market, too, because of cheap toys imported from the Far East, although bendies still have no direct competitor, according to Mr Mr Neufeld is going to Florida because it is not

unionized and because there are plenty of retired people there who could be used as outworkers.
"I know British toy makers"

tries with a range, compared to the initial dozen characters led by the original Bendy Bunny, that now runs to 150 bendies and 250 other toy cate-At Harrogate the Neufelds

he said.

were showing a new selection of bendies for next Christmas. Mupper characters, including Miss Piggy in a karate outfit, have joined the earlier Disney characters. Mickey Mouse, Pluto and Winnie the Pooh, all plush covered, are another new but non-bendy line.

Derek Harris



# Coastal pays \$20m to settle oil fraud case

Coastal Corporation - Coral Petroleum and three of its top executives will pay the American government more than \$20m to settle one of the biggest oil-fraud cases brought in recent years by the justice department which alleged that the two companies. the two companies ran a com-plex scheme in 1975 to evade federal oil-price refulations.

One such instrument is the Franks small-angle X-ray scattering camera, which is used Mr Oscar Wyatt jr, Coastal's chairman pleaded guilty to a criminal charge that he wilfully violated federal energy regulain industry and research for studying the molecular struc-tures of polymers and biological tions. Guilty pleas were also entered by Mr Sam Wilson jr, materials, catalysts, suspensions and metal microstructures. coastal's senior vice president and by Mr David Chalmers the a super-smooth mirror which is curved into a cylindrical form by a bending mechanism. The demand at NPL for these mirrors for outside customers president and owner of Coral. The three were fined the maximum \$40,000 each on the mis-

demeanour charges.

Mr Wyatt said that his attorneys believed in 1975, and still believe, that the transactions cited in the criminal case "aren't in fact covered" by federal regulations.

#### French steel surplus

France had a provisional trade surplus in steel in 1979 of about 1 million tonnes with exports of about 9 million tonnes. The 1978 surplus was 1.83 million tonnes from exports of 9.20 million and imports of 7.37 million.

#### **AEG** sells to Egypt

AEG-Telefunken said it won three orders worth a total of Deutsche marks 46m (£12m) from Egypt, including Deutsche marks 31m for the renewal of the telephone networks in the Almaza, Quabba and Giza areas of Cairo. Other orders are for ticket printers and electrical

#### Energy use falls

French energy consumption rose by 2.7 per cent last year to 189.5 tons of oil equivalent (TOE) and economic activity expanded by 3.5 per cent. Consumption in 1979 was 18m TOE below pre-1973 predictions. Growth in energy consumption slowed considerably in the second half of last year after an energy-savings campaign started

#### Honda in Yugoslavia

Honda engines for the eastern bled in Yugoslavia under a joint venture. Eighty per cent of the \$4.2m (£1.9m) capital will be subscribed by Standard Oour Tuoruka Motora of Yugo-

## Japan reps in Russia

Three Japanese steelmakers sent representatives to Moscow yesterday to resume negotia-tions on exports of steel pipes to the Soviet Union. While the Japanese government considers joining America in economic sanctions against the Soviet Union Nippon Steel Corporation said there had been no government attempt to dampen

#### Consumer index slump

The European Community consumer confidence index slumped in October by 7.9 points to 105.4 (1975, 100), the lowest point since the 1974-75 recession, signalling a possible slackening of demand and a further slowdown in industrial growth. Britain recorded the steepest decline of 21.3 points to 116.7.

#### Norwegian inflation

The rise in Norwegian con-sumer prices slowed to 0.3 per cent last month from 0.4 per cent in November. The Decemindex stood at 154.3 (base 1974) a year on year gain of cent compared to 4.6 per cent in November.

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Marketing products of X-ray optics research Research in X-ray optics at the National Physical Laboratory, Initially the work was handled by Ion Tech, which had earlier converted the laboraleddington, is being applied in the products of a new company, Astron Developments. This

tory's prototype ion source into a sound industrial product. The marks the second stage in an company's X-ray component industrial/NPL partnership work became known to organi-which began with the commer-zations such as the Science Rezations such as the Science Re-search Council, the United cial exploitation by Ion Tech (located, as is Astron, in Teddington) of the laboratory's prototype ion source, for uses States National Aeroquatics and Space Administration, and European and American induswhich include preparing specimens for electron microscopy. NPL scientists led by Dr Albert Franks had developed

trial, university and govern-ment laboratories.

Among recent products are six telescope mirrors which were used in the SRC Ariel 6 methods for producing optical components, such as focusing mirrors and diffraction gratings, for use in the X-ray region of the were used in the SKC Arter of scientific satellite launched last May; and a parabolic mirror for Lockheed used in a space-craft launched last July. electromagnetic spectrum. Here a surface smoothness more than

#### **Technology News**

As well as fundamental re-search, the team had developed methods of producing precisely curved focusing surfaces, calculating shapes and toler-ances, and measuring the surfaces and instruments em-The demand for large com-ponents such as X-ray telescopes one metre in diameter meant that special, large machine tools were required. Ion Tech pre-mises were too small to cope with the expansion involved, and the decision was taken to form a new company, Astron Developments, to concentrate on the X-ray side of the busi-

A ne w holding company,
Teddington Developments, was
formed—with the support of
the National Research Development Corporation and Middand
Montagu Industrial Finance to manage the two operating

Mr A. P. Vickery was re-three axis magnetometer which cruited from the space project is to be built by an amateur management side of British radio enthusiast at NASA's God-

ced following the December meeting of Opec.

"They do not make any contribution to the recovery of higher operating and distribution costs."

Aerospace, Bristol, to become business manager of Astron. Export prospects for both com-panies' high-technology pro-ducts are good, and there is a continuing tink with the re-search work and measurement facilities of the National Physical Laboratory.

#### UK amateur spacecraft

Big demand for super-smooth camera mirrors developed by NPL team

Britain's first amateur space-craft is to be carried as a secondary playload aboard a satellite to be launched by NASA, in September, 1981. The British spacecraft is now being developed at the University of Surrey, Guildford, and has been designated UOSAT (University of Surrey Satellite).
With support from the elec-

telecommunications and space industries, the satel-lite is being built through collite is being built inrough col-laboration between the international Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT), the Amateur Satellite Organization of the United Kingdom (AMSAT-UK) and the Radio Society of Great Britain.

The purpose of the space-craft is primarily educational. It will carry a number of high-frequency radio beacons. By tuning in to these trans-missions, individual radio amateurs and science groups in schools and colleges will be able to study the changing effects of the ionosphere on radio-wave propagation.
The satellite will also carry a

dard Space Flight Centre near Washington.

In the work that has been done to date, the overall system design has been confirmed, and the structure of the spacecraft has been redesigned and analyzed (at British Aerospace Dynamics Group). A survey has been made of the best way of

stabilizing the craft.
A low-power microcomputer A low-power microcomputer system has been built to the initial "breadboard" stage by Mr Mike Stubbs of Ferrarti; and a telecommand receiver has been completed in its "breadboard" form and has operated continuously for three morths. A first prototype radio beacon has been built; and a number of solar panels (spare from the Ariel 6 project) have been donated by the Science Research Council.

In the initial "breadboard"

In the initial "breadboard" stage of development the pro-posed electrical and electronic circuts are assembled in a rudimentary but accurate way to check that the circuit perfor-mance matches the specifica-

Next an engineering model is constructed. This is representa-tive of the final spacecraft but is used for exhaustive testing. Finally, the flight-model spacecraft is completed. This is either a duplicate of the en-gineering version or, if faults have shown up in testing, an improved yersion of it. Under Mr Martin Sweeting as project coordinator, the Surrey

team hope to complete these three stages by August 1980, December 1980, and August 1981 respectively.

Kenneth Owen

# Shell polyethylene price to rise 10 pc

By Our Industrial Staff related petrochemical feed-Shell Chemicals UK is to stocks. "However, they only also the price of all grades of partially cover the higher oil ow density polyethylene prices which have been announ-By Our Industrial Staff raise the price of all grades of low density polyethylene (LDPE), one of the bulk products of the plastics industry, by about 10 per cent at the end of this month.

ten times that of conventional components in the visible region

At the heart of this camera is

became so great that the team decided to transfer its manufac-

turing expertise to industry.

of the spectrum is required.

The increase will take the price of low-grade LDPE to about £600 a tonne. It is the second in less than three months, and means that prices have risen about 80 per cent in the past year and a half. Yesterday, Shell gave a warning that a further rise in polyethelene prices can be expected

Since June, 1978, when the price stood at £340 a tonne, there have been several in-Unless there is a sudden change in oil pricing trends, the cost of LDPE may be more than double that by the end of the year. The price of LDPE-and other

bulk products such as PVC and polypropylene—has been towed by the oil price

The Plastics Industrial Film Association, which represents many of the users of polyethylene packaging film, said that the increase would be passed on to customers.

Shell, like other plastics pro-ducers, has made little or no profit on LDPE sales in recent years. Now, over-capacity in the industry is being slowly reduced -partly by the constraints imposed by difficulty in obtaining feedstock supplies—and prices are returning to what the companies feel is a more realistic level.

Producers are looking forward to a further improvement in profitability this year, but at the back of their minds is the pos-Juggernaut.

Last night, Shell said that the recent increases reflected the rising costs of crude oil and sibility of the Americans, helped by arrificially-low feedstock prices, making an assault on the bulk plastics market.

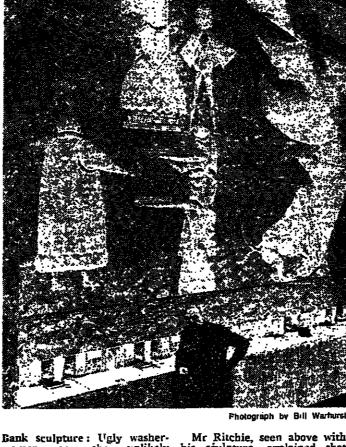
# **Greater lending scope** Oour Tuornka Motora of Yugo-slavia, the remainder by Honda. for World Bank

Washington, Jan. 14 The prospects for substantial real increases in the World Bank's lending activities have improved. The bank announced today that its shareholders have voted in favour of a \$40,000m. rise in the bank's authorized

tal and so permit lending in-creases. The bank's lending is limited under its articles to a forced within the next couple of years to scale-down its lend-ing programmes.

To secure this capital rise, it was necessary under the bank's articles for holders of more than 75 per cent of the outstanding 75 per cent of the outstanding shareholders to vote in favour of the increase. This has now been achieved, even though the largest shareholder, the United States, has still not given its approval.

This vote will lead to a virtual doubling of the bank's capital and so permit lending in 7.5 per cent of the capital rise. amounting in this case to about \$3,000m, into the bank. The remaining 92.5 per cent can total amount no greater than The remaining 92.5 per cent can the bank's subscribed capital be called by the bank in the and reserves. Without this event of a cash emergency vote the bank could have been There has not been such an There has not been such an emergency in the past, and the bank has never had to register a loss on any of its loans.



minster's new city office in Bristol, John Huxley writes. The marble wall, weighing

about 1! tons, recalls when the much-maligned women provided Queen Elizabeth I with spotless laundered neck frills. The visiting monarch had com-plained that her clothe; had been soiled on the rough, dirt road to Bristol.

In return, the women were granted the use of Brandon Hill, where earlier they had been terrorized by the bounds of a local landowner, for drying their washing. This was "by order of the Queen who in her peerless beauty has pity on your ugliness".

unlikely his sculpture, explained that Ritchie's sculpture for the tale treatment, with savage banking hall of National West-hounds, beautiful women, villainous looking men and lines of washing represented as

The new office is in Corn Street, Street, where before the formation of Nat West, each of its three constituent banks had branches. Two of these have effectively been knocked together by the contractors, Bovis, to produce one. A richly modelled Victorian facade has been retained and makes a striking contrast with the modern banking hall. Mr Ritchie chose his theme

for the wall from a number of suggestions by Mr Hugh Duckett, the bank's regional

#### Belfast car project leads to vehicle trim venture By Robert Rodwell Recruitment will begin next be 49 per cent owned by the Development Agency (NIDA)

A factory producing car seats and soft trim is to be opened in West Belfast as a result of the Government's £56m aid for the American De Lorean sports car plant.

Chamberlain Phipps, the Northamptonshire car com-ponent and rubber products group, is a partner in the ven-

and De Lorean Motor Cars, the Ulster production company owned jointly by the parent Dc Lorean Motor Corporation in the United States and the NIDA.

The new company, C. P. Trim, will occupy an existing Government factory on the Adelaide trading estate two miles from the De Lorean plant which is ture with the Northern Ireland now almost complete.

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month at the rate of about 20 workers a week, and up to 450 jobs will be created. Production will begin in the summer in phase with assembly of De Lorean cars, the first production models of which will be furnished and trimmed with locally made CP components.

**JANUARY 3, 1980** 

NIDA, with De Lorean Holdings 32 per cent and Chamberlain Phipps 19 per cent. Under the chairmanship of Mr William Bellamy, chairman of Chamberlain Phipps' general industries division, the board will com-prise two nominees from De With an issued capital of Lorean, one from Chamberlain 100,000, the new company will Phipps and one from the NIDA.

## Garrard cuts staff by third

Garrard, the Swindon-based record player manufacturers, vesterday pruned one third of its staff. About 160 employees were made redundant following a notice issued to the workforce by Mr Alan Kirton and Mr Alan Peck, the joint managing directors.

The company also announced

that it was closing its Newcastle Street, Swindon, operation, and street, Swindon, operation, and moving to a new site on the Chency Manor trading estate. The company said there had been a continued decline in the consumer electronic and audio marker, and the immediate future did not indicate any expectations of improved sales.

It is understood the move is While restrictive practices planned to start during Feb

planned to start during reorusry

The redundancies include 14 managers, 36 office staff, 25 indirect workers and more than 80 production workers. The Brazilian company Gradiente bought the record playing business in November last year for 11m. Mr Nelson Bastos, the company's deputy chairman, said he wanted the Garrard manufacturing operation in manufacturing operation in Britain to be viable within the next 12 months.

## training has been increased to four at a post-graduate level. This would compare favourably Sir, I find the conclusions of the Finniston Report and your with the optimum of the four-year M. Eng. course and two years of practical experience suggested in the report.

Status of engineers: excellence

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

the Finniston Report and your leader of January 10 most saddening. You both correctly identify the lowly status of the British engineer, but by no means is this because of his inadequate engineering training: quite the reverse, foreign companies highly respect and value our excellence in this field and are eager to snap up British trained graduates, who are seen to have a solid, comprehensive theoretical base capped with industrial experience.

British industry may complain at having to take graduates and mould them into practical men fit for its purposes, but it should accept this as its burden, for no amount of education can adequately simulate the experinon-competent operatives.

adequately simulate the experi-ence of industrial practice. No, sir, the production of "Market-uriented engineering excel-lence"—in test tubes, presum-ably—is not the goal of a university education. If we wish to have better engineers we should instead be teaching them the additional skills of reflection, literacy, communication and management, a knowledge of the theral arts and so forth, then we would succeed, as has been done would succeed, as has been dealer elsewhere, in producing well-rounded and respected individuals, capable of captaining British industry and culture to

Yours faithfully, ANDREW S. E. TOMALIN, Fairchild Semiconductor Ltd National Westminster Court, Little John Street, Bristol BS1 2EF.

From Mr A. Harris

Sir, The implementation of the educational and training requirements of the Finniston report is, perhaps, less desirable than your editorial of January 10 would suggest, because it could lead to a dilution of standards. The qualification requirements of the civil engineering profession are arguably simple law prohibiting the use already more deranding than finniston has proposed and from 1982 the minimum number of years of professional \$60m of taxpayers' money on

It seems that one of the

It seems that one of the weaknesses of the report is the reliance on educationalists to select potential high fliers during theoretical studies for an essentially practical professional career. Surely, this is a task for professional engineers, not professional teachers.

In my own profession there is no shortage of high standards but there is a lack of incentive for the employer accessarily to pay salaries which reflect the engineers' value to society, or to restrict the practice of engineering by unqualified and You suggest that the door

has been left open to the future licensing of engineers but it is probable that unless licensing can be bound in to any legisla-tion arising from the Finniston proposals, then the projected changes will be ineffective. The restriction of important tasks to licensed qualified engineers would lead to higher remuneration for engineers, improved non for engineers, improved intake to engineering and ultimately a keener competitive edge for the British engineering industry.

Yours faithfully, ALAN HARRIS, 2a Church Avenue. Penarth, South Glamorgan, January 11.

From Mr P. M. Simpson Sir, As a civil and municipal engineer may I dissociate my-self and many of my colleagues from the Finniston Report. We do not want to be registered

engineers, diplomats or not. Had we have wished that we could have joined the Foreign Office! We wish to be engineers. To improve national recognition all that is required is a simple law prohibiting the use

# Sales commission and surveyors' fees

Sir, I am writing to comment on the letter sent to you by Mr John Bourgoin (January 10). I am a chartered surveyor and the sole principal of a large estate agency practice.

I quite understand Mr Bourgoin's reaction when his house was sold, apparently to the first person who showed interest, involving the agent in very little work. I also agree with Mr Bourgoin that the sales commission fees and survey fees are out of balance.

An important point that people overlook is the reason why an agent is able to intro-duce a buyer immediately he receives instructions. It is organization with high overheads to generate inquiries. It may well be that the particular purchaser who hands a large exhaustive survey should take even longer than Mr Bourgoin mentions and should accompany the same way. purchaser who bought Mr something in the region Bourgoin's house had been times the sum he paid. dealing with the agent over We feel sure that in t many months previously, but Mr Bourgoin would not be aware of all the time and effort that had already been invested in this applicant before his house came on to the market.

Estate agency services are expensive but the cost of pro-viding them is high. Mr Bourgoin has obviously sold at a price that satisfied him. Mill Hill Circus. He should be pleased that his London NW7 4TD. estate agent was able to January 11.

produce results so quickly and perhaps on reflection be will understand that the true cost of being able to introduce the applicant quickly is higher than at first it might seem.

With regard to the huge dis-parity between selling fees and survey fees, it is our view that the survey fee is chronically too cheap. After strictly com-mercial appraisal we decided to give up doing surveys altogether. The general level of fees is so low that in real interested to learn from our professional indemnity insurers legal work of that many other surveyors feel certain knowledge.

We feel sure that in the next few years professional fees will be charged at a more realistic level and the huge disparity between selling fees and professional fees will no longer exist.

Yours faithfully. C. J. DOBSON, Cosway Estate Offices, 135/137 The Broadway, Mill Hill Circus.

#### Energy demand: rising sales of electricity From Mr G. Petersen

(Letters, January 10) must be well known to you by now for and maximum demand 39.7GW. In 1978-79 they were 199.6TWh enthusiasm, but he should not let this distort the facts.

For instance, he says published data shows that the demand for electricity is falling. I would suggest he takes a look at page 60 of our Statement of Accounts and Statistics for 1978-79 which shows that it has sient at the statement of the stat that it has risen steadily since Statistics Officer, 1973-74—and is still rising. Electricity Council, Furthermore, I cannot understand why Mr Jenkins has the idea that "we have yet to January 10.

Sir. Mr Norman Jenkins 1973". In 1973 sales were 196.2TWh

> again in the current year. One would have thought that, as a hindsight forecaster, Mr Jenkins would have at least got his facts right.
>
> Yours faithfully. G. PETERSEN.

Electricity Council, 30 Mill-

of training system in Britain another quango is just avoiding

To increase the status of the engineer it is necessary to ean it. By making sure that all engineering institutions impose the same vigorous standards for corporate membership as the institutions do; by saking time out to educate the public and by making a valuable commercial contribution to industry —these are the ways to incre the respect afforded to

Perhaps it is time for civil engineers to join with the architects and quantity su veyors in a Construction Institutions Federation. Certainly do not want to be equated with a registered gas installer; I value my charter. Yours faithfully, PHILIP M. SIMPSON. 55 Wentworth Road, Harborne, Birmingham, B17 988.

From Mr A. Sandman

January 10

Sir. A graduate engineer wish a few years' experience aged between 25 and 30 on average gets about £5,100 per annuan Even a postgraduate of 35 to 39 gets only £7,700 pa. I cell these bus drivers' salaries.

The Finniston Report misses the basic point which is not to conduct an elaborate title re-labelling exercise and to fiddle with the "curriculum" but to do something about our poor

If this were done there would be no problem in obtaining is an interesting and useful profession. Indeed there would be no problem in keeping these engineers we have in engineering and so stopping the present tendency for engineers to draft into sales and administration.

I can only reiterate if we were paid a proper salary now there would be no problem with the engineering profession. Yours faithfully, A. SANDMAN,

57 Primrose Hill Court, King Henry's Road, London, NW3.

Dealing

# with UK's mineral resources

From Mr Anthony Holland Sir, I would like to add my support to the letter yesterday (January 9) from Sir Kingsley Dunham and Sir Peter Kent.

As one who has investigated and advised on mineral titles I find it becoming increasingly terms we were losing money difficult to meet clients' quite heavily and we were requirements in this area of

This has become more and we more noticeable over the past \$ 75 few years, particularly when 😳 mentions and should cost apparently worked-out reradical change in price become worth further reinvestment but where perhaps the titles have in the period of their lack of

working, become confused. I appreciate that what is suggested is intended to relate to undiscovered resources of minerals but there is a grev area lying somewhere between currently worked mines, worked-out resources and undiscovered resources which could also well benefit from a great deal more certainty than is presently the case.

There has been a renewal of interest in mineral resources in this country possibly not least because of the political stability it enjoys; yet we are not as well equipped to meet the renewal of interest as we ought to be. I understand that in Ireland steps have been taken recently to ensure all the resources are vested in the tiations have to be conducted: dealing with individual owners. It is therefore all the more urgent that this problem should now be reexamined.

Yours sincerely, ANTHONY HOLLAND. Foot and Bowden, Solicitors, 70/72 North Hill, Plymouth PL4 8HH. January 10.

# Company secretary's qualities

From Nicholas Baker, MP From Nicholas Baker, MP
Sir, I refer to the letter from
Mr J. H. Butcher (January 9)
Business News, disagreeing
with my proposition that the
clause in the Companies Bill
requiring that only individuals
from certain professions can
undertake the duties of company secretary of a public
company is a restrictive practice in its simplest form. If
this is not the case, then I
would like to know what a restrictive practice is. trictive practice is.

While restrictive practices sometimes protect the public, I do not agree that the clause in its present form can be justified in this way. The clause in its present

form provides that the class of permitted people includes barristers, solicitors, chartered accountants, and members of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators. If the job of being a company secretary is as respon-sible as Mr Butcher says it is

(which of course it is, as I am aware through advising public companies over a number of companies over a number of years), then this category is far most solicitors or barristers for example are in any way qualified to act as company secretaries.

An alternative approach is to have a very small category of those specially qualified to act as company secretaries. The difficulties in defining such a class or classes to suit all public companies are obvious lic companies are obvious.

Public companies even under the new definition will remain a class retaining enormous var-iations. The job of company secretary will vary correspond-ingly with the company. Mr Butcher complained that

I "ought to be more aware that there is no point in Parliament continuing its flood of legislation affecting all sectors of our daily lives, without any attempt to ensure that it will be workable and will be com-

plied with". It is precisely because I am so conscious of the legislation which Parlia-ment has inflicted in the past upon society in general and businesses in particular that I believe that the clause in ques-tion should be received. tion should be resisted. I know of no history of com-

I know of no history of companies, their shareholders or employees suffering losses as a result of the misdemeanours of unqualified company secretaries. In any event, the directors have overall responsibility for the activities of the company secretary and might be responsible for the appointment of someone totally unsuitable for the task.

I suggest that Company Law

I suggest that Company Law should leave matters as they are and allow each public company to have appointed the company secretary suitable for the company concerned. Yours faithfully,

NICHOLAS BAKER, MP, House of Commons. Jaquary 9.

# Two-way pull on interest rates

The monetary authorities must have been delighted with last week's spare of gilt sales, ensuring as it should that the January money supply figures look respectable. Even so. they are likely to be watching developments in financial markets with considerable interest this week. In particular, they will want to see just how far markets are prepared to Marsh/Bowring bid down yields so early in the year; but they will also be keeping a keen eye on how much overseas money is being drawn across It is Still the exchanges. .

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The authorities are obviously keen that early days... the bandwagon for lower interest rates should not gather too much momentum before it is certain that bank lending is decelerating satisfactorily and that the gilt market has been able to digest the implications of the Budget forecast of next year's public sector borrowing requirement.

On the face of it, the continuation of flows of tax money to the Exchequer over the next few weeks should help keep short-term money tight, while the authorities will presumably be putting out at least one new tap stock before too long.

The problem, however, is that markets may already be sensing that beyond mid-February, say, the authorities may find it rather more difficult to resist strong downward pressure on rates, particularly if overseas investors are putting uncomfortable upward pressure on sterling. The gamble, then, would be whether some modest recognition of the situation on the part of the authorities would dampen or simply stimulate markets

It may, of course, prove that the market will run out of steam of its own accord, or that the news background will in some way take a turn for the worse. While the gilt market euphoria lasts, however, it is plainly infectious. Equities too were buoved by lower interest rate hopes yesterday. The FT .30 share Index has now recovered 11 per cent since briefly dropping below 400 on January 3.

Accounting standards

#### The problem of enforcement

So far most of the response to the green paper, "Company Accounting and Dis-closure", has been rather muted: but accountants Arthur Andersen put the cat well and truly amongst the pigeons last week with a submission which effectively implies that the government should consider legal sanctions against companies which refuse to conform to generally agreed accounting standards.

Arthur Andersen's thinking upon the matter is perfectly clear. First, there is the fact that familiarity is breeding contempt for the qualified audit report. Second, there is the fact that accounting standards nowadays, far from pussyfooting around the periphery of management's preoccupations, are striking deep into that sensitive territory; and there is in consequence, say the accountants, an increasing likelihood that individual entities and sectional groups will be prepared to ignore new standards. The question of effective enforcement, they say, can no longer be avoided.

They say that the weight of public opinion has to be brought into play against the defaulters, with "formal recognition" of the significance of accounting standards to our economic fabric; but that, beyond that, breaches (whether with or without the concurrence of the auditors) should be reviewed by a committee supervised by the CCAB, with the power to make recommenda-

tions. From the looks of it something rather similar is to emerge from the recent rapprochement of the Stock Exchange and the Accounting Standards Committee, though it has already been emphasized that the review body they expect to establish will not be an enforcement agency. Net result: plenty of people prepared to point the finger, but none prepared to rap the

Arthur Andersen say that the business of identifying the malefactors should remain with the profession, but that the ultimate sanction will have to lie with the Government. As most parties have already agreed with respect to the insider dealing debate, it is time that the big guns of governmental sanction had a litle more play in the area

of company law. But the snag to Arthur Andersen's proposals is that they envisage a procedure under which a company would be passed on to the public authority for punishment, having been tried and found wanting according to private regulation. And while that might be efficient, would it be just?

With little likelihood of great support from shareholders who would no doubt view 168p a share as a reasonable price for the group, C. T. Bowring's talk of disquiet among its employees and the possibility of court action seem fairly flimsy planks on which to base a defence against Marsh and McLennan.

Bowring is naturally keen to keep its powder dry with regard to the actual terms floated by Marsh and would no doubt put up a more sprightly showing if and when a bid is forthcoming.

Anyway, this situation will run for some time yet, and there are good reasons for thinking that Bowring will avoid being swallowed up by the Americans. Significantly its share price held steady at 139p yesterday, while others in the insurance broking sector moved ahead

One reason is that Marsh would seemingly not have a great deal to lose by waiting for a definitive statement from Lloyd's on the whole question of foreign ownership, and this will not be forthcoming until sometime after April, when Sir Henry Fisher is due to present his report on the market's self-

To move earlier could mean Marsh going through all sorts of financial and legal wrangles involving the divestment of parts of Bowring, perhaps unnecessarily.

There is also the possibility that the Office of Fair Trading could step in. Although it is hard to see how a Marsh/Bowring link could constitute a monopoly. The bid could provide the OFT with a chance to look at a wider controversy involving the links between brokers and underwriters in the market and the potential for malpractice which such connexions could create.

Marsh, meanwhile, will also have to steer its bid through the SEC and anti-trust regulations while keeping a close eye on what effects the divulgence of information about Bowring could have on any future court proceedings brought by the British

Dividends

#### Over the years...

Despite the poor outlook for dividend growth this year in the face of declining corporate profits and liquidity-most forecasts are looking for little more than 5 per cent increase after a rise of between 15 and 20 per cent last year in the wake of the lifting of controls in July-prospective divi-dend yields are still mildly bullish for

The income argument for equities has been at best tenuous in recent years because of the size of the reverse yield gap. But there may be some comfort for equity investors who take a long view in stockbrokers de Zoete & Bevan's latest Equity and Fixed Interest since 1919 review, which shows that, so far a. its equity fund is concerned (not quite the same as the Financial Times 30 Index), equity returns have managed to keep level pegging with inflation in the postwar

But in only one year over the past dozen have dividends kept up with inflation and that was 1968, thanks in the main to dividend controls but also reflecting the fact that cover has been steadily built up since the

very low 1.5 times level of 1968.

The current optimism over dividend yields is based on the fact that at a prospective 8 per cent or so for 1980 they are the highest since 1974—and United Kingdom industry is not facing th ecrisis it was then—and way over the 5½ per cent average obtaining since the postwar period.

The fly in the ointment now is current

cost accounting which more and more com-panies should be turning to in a period of profits squeeze to assess their dividend paying capacity, where there are a number of household names whose dividends are uncovered on this basis.

## Hugh Stephenson

# The mad axeman cometh . . .

There is a figure in the myth and legend of Whitehall known as the mad axeman. It is he, who in the season of public expenditure cuts rushes down corridors, snatches open doors only to shout within that he wants £20m off such and such a programme by tea-time

as ne scuttles on his Hanic way.

By any standard 1979-30 has been the year of the mad axeman. For those who make their living as our servants in the control of public expenditure are now engaged not in their first, not in their second but in their third public spending cuts exercise since last May's

The character of the present exercise is becoming clear. Unlike the packages announced with the budget last June and with the spending White Paper last November, this series of cuts will have to be concentrated almost exclusively on transfer payments with social security payments and housing sub-

security payments and nousing sub-sidies bearing the brunt.

This is because the direct govern-ment spending programmes, the monies directly disbursed for current goods and services and for capital spending projects, have already been squeezed

to the point where the political pips are beginning to squeak. It is striking, for example, that the Confederation of British Industry has argued that, while cutting spending and taxes remains vital, there should be

present assistance to trade and indus-So, if the new package of cuts, due to be announced in March, is to total anything like £1,000m for the 1980-81 year it will have to be made up of other kinds of government spending.

no further cuts in the programmes of

The resulting reduced government requirement to borrow can be further reduced by devices such as 30 per cent nationalized industry price rises. However unpopular these may be with consumers, long experience has shown that their political impact is less negarive than equivalent tax increases.

Real changes in the figures, however, can only come from real changes in policy. On the expenditure side this will have to involve the ending of the link between social security payments and the rate of inflation. It seems that this exercise is under way for most such benefits, except old age pensions.

indexing" benefit payments is the "indexation" of charges. This seems to have become part of present planning, with a firm decision for example that, in future, NHS prescription charges shall be lifted above 70p each year in line with the general rise in prices. This was not part of the Nov-ember White Paper because the effect would not be until 1981-82 and beyond, years which are due to be the subject of the March White Paper.

Ever since it came to office, Mrs Thatcher's government has been dedicated to the proposition that public spending should be cut. It is a measure of the inherent problems, therefore, that the present rate of spending is higher than when she came to office and is certain to be higher still next year. What is the build dynamic that rides over the most rigid political resistance?

One problem is the illusion that huge sums of money can be saved by greatly improved administration. It is, of course, true that there is massive waste in the public sector. Any large organization has built in inefficiencies of this sort. Spectacular figures for saving can be claimed.

In absolute terms the hundreds of thousands and the millions are striking. But in relation to the totals involved in the public sector they are not big enough to make a big shift in the ratio of public spending to gross domestic product, or enough reduction m the borrowing requirement to

imance a major reduction in taxation. More important, however, is the "cash limits" illusion. Anyone who has ever done any forward expenditure has ever done any forward expenditure budgeting, however limited in scope, knows that there is a world of difference between a planning budget, even if it carries the implicitly awful title of "cash limits", and an actual limit on cash.

There is only one way to make a major cur in public spending and that is to cut out a major function at present being done by government That involves changes in policy, not good housekeeping and the paring of candle-ends. It is a nettle the Government has still not grasped.

# Will the Government's nerve hold?

The morning that the steel-workers began their strike Mr Ray Buckton, the train drivers' leader, gave Mr Bill Sirs, general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, a copy of the circular that Aslef was sending out to all its beneates.

After telling footplatemen to black BSC traffic and not to cross steel union picker lines, the circular concluded: "We are sure that all members will appreciate that the trade union period, and we feel certain that our colleagues in the steel industry will be given the fullest support by Aslef's membership in order that the strike shall have a positive and immediate

"It is believed that by doing this there is a far greater chance of bringing the present dispute to an early and successful conclusion, the outcome of which will undoubtedly have a profound effect on future negotiations in the public sector (my italics).

Mr Buckton was publicly articulating what many other union leaders privately feel; that the steel strike is the critical test this winter of the Government's resolve, and of its non-interventionist non-interventionist policy.
Unions in other areas of the public sector—notably the rail-

Paul Routledge examines the state of public sector pay bargaining

shipbuilding—are waiting to see whether the steelworkers can shift the Cabinet's rigid herence to predetermined cash limits for its own direct and indirect employees. If the Government is forced

to climb down and relax its stringent financial targets for British Steel, the repercussions in other state corporations and in the Post Office and the Civil Service would be substantial. There are at present no such indications, and the steel strike is rapidly taking on the political status of a set-piece confronta-tion between organized labour and a Conservative Government. It is an ironic turn of events. The local government workers and hospital staff whose indus-trial action was at the heart of the last "winter of discontent" are heading for a peaceful settlement of their pay claims just within the cash limits laid down, as we now know, by the Cabinet on December 13. The threat to Government policy has come from a totally unexpected quarter. British

Steel has pulled off what was always thought impossible—an unlimited national strike by a moderate union that has brought the TUC leadership into direct conflict with the Government and given a new lease of life to secondary picketing.

The pros and cons of BSC's presentation of its case for a settlement wholly financed out of productivity savings may be debated until the cows come home without ever reaching a satisfactory verdict on manage-ment's competence. But the dispute does focus attention on the scope for productivity deals in the public sector.

The rail unions began their negotiations on the "railwaymens charter" yesterday with a refreshingly open mind. Mr Sidney Weighell, general secretary of the NUR, declared himself and its look at "every leave to look at himself ready to look at " every thing and anything "the British Rail board would like to do to increase productivity.

And as the gas workers opened their talks simultaneously chief union negotiator Mr John Edmonds thought the Gas Corporation, flush with money, could afford productivity schemes designed to give the consumer a better service. There is less room for manoeuvre in electricity supply, where the unions have sold jobs over the years and collaborated in an extensive closure pro-gramme of redundant power stations.

But the electricity workers' negotiators are nonetheless talking about a "miners' level" settlement and they certainly have the leverage to get it. The other sector engaging in power bargaining, the water workers, is a relative newcomer to militancy. The water workers recognized their unique strength in unofficial strikes last time (due to settle in two days' round, and have set their sights time), the hospital workers, on a linkage with the other nurses, university manual utilities, gas and electricity, staff, and the ambulancemen. on a linkage with the other utilities, gas and electricity, rather than the lower paid town hall manual workers with whom they have traditionally been compared.

The water workers would appear to be natural candidates for consideration by the Clegg Comparability Commission, if they could be persuaded that there would be enough money in the exercise to warrant a delay of some six monthly.

The Government is clearly The Government is clearly still committed to the principle of comparability for public service workers. Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary for Health and Social Services, has told the TUC Health Services Committee that much, though the Government has given Clegg some guidelines that define as narrowly (and economically) as possible the comparison pro-

It remains to be seen whether the Clegg commission is kept on indefinitely in its present form, with practically standing references on such problem areas as NHS ancillaries and nurses, or whether the Government will seek to evolve new machinery to keep

Claim/settlement Anniversary State of bargaining Number Sector Oct 1 '79 4,500 Atomic Energy 14-27% deal wo:kers 85,000 Local Authority building workers 10% deai Nov 4 '79 Last phase of 1978/79 strike 35,000 Nov 7 '79 20.5% deal Firemen March 1 '80 10-month settlement, expires Dec 22% deal 240,000 Miners 31; 1981 deal expires Oct 31. Working parties on 4 day week and protection of earnings Negotiations opened Jan 14. 42,000 Gas workers 22-30% claim, £60 a week min. substantial", miners-90,000 Electricity workers mid-March Negotiations start Feb 7 level deal sought 14% settlement expected on Jan 15-17% claim, plus 1,100,000 Local Govt manuals 250,000 NHS ancillary Dec 13 '79 Offer Jan 18; local govt-style deal ditto claim Workers
33,000 Waler workers rejected; largest union 46% + claim (GMWU) threatening strike National strike by four unions 135,000 State steel workers 20% claim entering third week; self-financing 8% all round, plus 4% negotiable in local productivity talks rejected. Strike spreading to 80,000 State shipbuilding 17-21% claim Jan 1 Negotiations adjourned to next workers NUR seeking joint talks with other rail unions; productivity 190,000 Railway workers " substantial ", believed to be 20% discussions in progress Preliminary negotiations on PRU due to open this week 500,000 Civil servants 15-20% expected from April 1 PRU exercise 200,000 Postal workers No claim yet April 1 Talks proceeding on new wage structure

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1979/1980 PUBLIC SECTOR PAY ROUND: SOME LEADING DEVELOPMENTS

the comparability safety-valve at the ready.

For the moment, the domi-nating factor is still cash limits. The Treasury's instruc-

Ambulancemen

30,000 University manuals 450,000 Nurses & Midwives

tions to ministries on the 14 cent limit for 1980-81 should just about accommodate the local government workers all of whom have benefitted from the ministrations of Pro-fessor Clegg.

The Civil Service is another matter. Union leaders are due

to begin exploratory talks with the Civil Service Department this week on the shape of the biggest public sector settlement
—that for the Government's own half-million white-collar employ-ees. Union analysis of the Pay Research Unit reports suggests that clerical grades need around 15-17 per cent and executive/ administration grades 18-20 per cent-plus to catch up with private sector pay movement over

the last year. There is no prospect of the Government setting its Civil Service cash limit as high as this. The unions expect the ceiling to be set in line with the 14 per cent laid down for public sector pay and prices. So the Government must either refuse to honour the PRU award in full; or demand off-setting job cutbacks over and above the 40,000 already envis-aged over the next three years: or ignore inconvenient actuarial evidence and make a large.

of Civil Service pay witheld to finance pensions. There is apparently some Cabinet in-fighting on this latter issue, with the hawks looking to make some political capital out of Civil Service pensions. The first option would inevit-

ably precipitate a confrontation

variable

with the unions—the three largest of which, the Civil and Public Services Association, the Society of Civil and Public Ser-vants, and the Institution of Professional Civil Servants are harnessed in a loose troika on pay-so the Cabinet is likely to pick a compromise path of im-plemening PRU but clawing back sufficient savings from re-duced manpower and higher pension contributions to keep th eoverall settlement within cash limits.

The beauty of using cash himits as a backdoor incomes policy is that the Government an pretend that it does not have such a policy, while vigorously curtailing public sector employers' freedom to negotiate. The tactic is well understood by the unions, of course, but it does not make such an unpopular spleak in the sublice. popular splash in the public prints as a formal, centralized battery of regulations and Acts of Parliament. It allows the Government to achieve its objective without losing political face, and thus far ministers

wage restructuring. The Post Office is going through a massive exercise in its telecommunications division aimed at introducing a new "pay spine" in which all grades will be integrated. It will cut down iob barriers and make for more competitive employment prospects when it is finally nego-

Local-govt level deal expected

14% offer last week NHS manual-style deal expected

tiated. Post Office workers are The postmen put their settlement date back by three months to April 1 to have more time to gauge the "going rate" in the public sector, and to make sure they didn't miss out on any thing obtained by other groups

thing obtained by other groups.

It was probably a wise move after the five to one rejection the union leaders got for their first recommended package last year, but the strategy of moving back down the queue can backire if the government of the day untroduces a wage freeze half-way through an inflationary pay round.

Interestingly, however, there is much less speculation among

is much less speculation among union negotiators these days about the prospect of Mrs Thatcher doing a U-turn on her pay policy. There is little talk about a freeze. And the steel industry has in miniature all the elements of Conservative tical face, and thus far ministers are using the device with some definess.

Another chellenge facing negotiators in the drawn-out reentry from years of TUC-Government pay restraint is the elements of Conservative policy: an unrestrained 11 percent offer in the private sector, and a self-finencing package tailored to cash limits in the public sector. The policy has not failed yet, but the crisis is upon us.

# Business Diary: Beyond the fringe • Rhodesian reservation

## examining their pay slips after Irish Taoiseach and leader of county goes back to the seeing the advertisement for a Fionna Fail, has regained eighteenth century. general secretary of the new

which makes all the lrish whiskey that is not actually potcheen from illegal stills, include a car, free medical surance plus generous penses, the job could be starting salary of £18,000. include a car, free medical insurance plus generous expenses, the job could be worth in all about £24,000 a vear, which will put the lucky pear, which will put the lucky man in the top division of the source of the particularly fitting since to be pa man in the top division of the general secretaries' pay league. In fact very few unions can match the basic salary, although some Civil Service union leaders

and Geoffrey Drain, general

secretary of Nalgo, earn around £18.000. The new union is being formed out of a merger between the staff associations at Ber-Westminster banks. Dr Tom characters spelling out "Re-Johnston, chairman of the Scottish Manpower Services name that still adorus the Lloyds and National Commission has been beavering for about two years to try and bring the staff associations and the Banking Insurance and

Finance Union together into a brotherly partnership. His efforts, for which he is reported to have charged the three banks fi00 a day, have failed and the associations failed to go their own way. decided to go their own way. some cynics at Bifu's Esher it looks as if the bank has headquarters are suggesting that Dr Johnston is the ideal man for the CBU job. But it looks are new name plate until after next month's elections even it has a more likely canding though contact and have a more likely canding the latter and have a more likely canding th I hear that a more likely candi-date is Hugh James, deputy date is Hugh James, deputy general secretary of the Barclays staff association.

Many union leaders are Jack Lynch (right), the former the distilling tradition in the power. That is to say he has been appointed a director of which quotes a startling, cops, the Irish Distillers Group, Pictorial Weekly, an Irish

They're all geared up for Zimbabwe-Rhodesia, the central bank of the former rebel

Either side of the four marble pillars on the portico of the bank's Jameson Avenue. Salisbury headquarters, there are three rows of rivet holes where there used to be the characters spelling out "Reserve Bank of Rhodesia", the country's dollar bills.

The bank, like other Southern Rhodesian institutions, added a quick "Zimbahaha" to its name when Inbabwe" to its name when Ian Smith supporters decided to make room for that section of

None the less it is handing

laughs on a plate to Hall's has had much fun in the past from Lynch's devotion to one particular Irish Distillers' brand. Surprisingly it is not Power that is his tipple, though, but another blend called, simply, Paddy.

we British are pleased to call change at the Reserve Bank of Southern Rhodesia is likely to remain Zimbabwe-Rhodesia. If the bishop is sent back to his flock, the country is likely to become Zimbabwe only should Joshua Nkomo come in and it is almost certain if Robert

Mugabe wins power. However, nameplates are not the only thing likely to be changed at the Reserve Bank, howsoever it be called. There is also the case of the governorship. Should he be black, or should he be white? If the latter, will it be the present

Desmond Krogh, the incumbent governor, is a former academic who was born in South Africa, and may therefore be unacceptable to a Nkomo or Mugabe led administration.

" Please note that persons other than residents and guests found on bedroom floors are liable for prosecution —notice Should the good bishop be in the Monomatapa Hott confirmed in office then what Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia. in the Monomatapa Hotel,



• A timely warning comes from Hoechst UK, the British arm of the West German chemical firm, whose hard-to-pronounce some of the things it makes, such as Berger paints and Optrex eve lotion.

pany newspaper, the time dif-ference halves the hours in which messages can to and fro between the group's offices in

of GMT, it is 10 am in Germany when our offices open at 9 am and one hour of their working day has already been lost.

With both Hoechst AG and

According to Hoechst's com-Britain and in Europe. Hoechet's explains With Europe one hour ahead

to requirements. Hoechst UK staggering lunchbreaks over a two-bour period, the time difference between the two countries means that for four hours in the middle of the day it is virtually impossible to establish telephone contact between specific individuals.
"And Boechst AG offices close at 5 pm European Standard Time—one hour before United Kingdom offices

estate agents whose fees have been dipping. Do a Sotheby's and turn your old property brochures into a columbily illustrated paperback for sale in the bookshops. Once the rich, idle or other-

wise, fallen onto barder times, could slope off in privacy, but now pushy corporations like Sorbeby Parke Bernet International Realty are liable to photograph all the most intimate corners of the homes they have to sell,

After three successful years in American real estate the firm have published a celebra-tory volume entitled Sotheby Parke Bernet's Luxury Properties—a grand tour of America's most glorious estates. It re-tails at \$9.95 and shows houses they have handled

There is, for instance, the late Nelson Rockefeller's summer home; Jacqueline Onassis's mother's home now become a Kennedy museum; a farm being sold for Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr; Henry J. Heinz Manhattan triplex; Liza Minelli's new townhouse: an estate belonging to Oscar Hammerstein's grand-son; a Tudor-style mansion which the son of the designer of Brooklyn Bridge had surplus committee to study alternatives.

Always a column to be first with the news, herewith Business Diary's first Christmas story of the year. Hallmark Cards' 1980 Christmas card trade show starts at the Cumberland Hotel, London-in two

# Holidays without strings

Most of the estimated 4.5 mil-lion Britons who take package holidays abroad this year are ikely to face, about two months before departure, an extra bill for up to £10 per person per week. This system of surcharges is infuriating critics of Britain's travel industry.

The surcharges, designed to cover increasingly unpredictable rises in the cost of aviation fuel, hotel accommodation and to a lesser extent, currency fluctuations, are seen by the industry's detractors as unfair to holidaymakers.
It is argued that the system

is open to abuse: tour companies can pitch their prices at a low level to attract the business and then slap on the surcharge when it is too late for people to change their holiday plans. Such reasoning, while finding

favour among those who wish to see foreign holidays quoted at a fixed price, fails to take into account the extreme competitiveness of the inclusive tour business. This tends to depress prices; but many of the costs involved are beyond the direct control of tour operators. The Association of British Travel Agents (Abta), to which most tour operators belong, has been agonizing over the sur-charges issue and has set up a

industry and are fair to consumers so long as they are told honestly of the extra they may be called upon to pay.

Tour companies tend to agree on a common date on which

But so far it believes surcharges

are the best way to protect the



Mrs Margaret Hook: "80 per cent of holidaymakers have a guaranteed maximum price."

same sterling exchange rate

tion and the printing of bro- maximum price". chures for the coming season. time 17 cost increases were known and were built into the prices, which are on average 10 to 15 per cent higher this year. "The public wants to book in advance, often 12 months before taking the holiday, and the operator has to make contracts

example, can't or won't make fixed price contracts." Ross Davies they will formulate prices for the following year. This means that the majority will use the per cent, says Mrs Hook, "and

with hotels, airlines, coach com-

panies and so on in many countries. But many hotels, for

it would have been unreasonable to build this into prices calculated last summer". The best notice from oil companies of fuel price increases that is given to airlines and tour companies is 21 days, she says, and some of these charges are levied retrospectively.
Shifts in currency rates have

become less of a headache for operators since the relaxing of foreign exchange controls has allowed them to buy forward. This, however, involves the payment of a premium and the operator has to make a decision on how much currency to buy without knowing how many passengers he may have on a given route.
Mrs Hook comments: "You

don't know what the price of romatoes is going to be tomorrow, nor do you know how much you are going to pay for a car ordered three months in same sterling exchange rate advance. But 80 per cent of making their prices more easy holidaymakers going abroad to compare. In 1979, the companies chose July 24, which allowed time for price calculation and the printing of hyperselection and will have a guaranteed maximum price.

Holidaymakers are advised Mrs Margaret Hook, president to study carefully the booking of the Abta, says that at that conditions in the brochures. Some operators, not wishing to risk offering a guarantee, are giving clients the choice of paying the full surcharge or cancelling their holiday when they receive the final invoice.

The majority offer a guarantee that the surcharge will not exceed a specific figure. In most cases this is £10 per person per week or 10 per cent of the holiday cost. Last year's surcharge was about 6 to 7 per

Edward Townsend

# Profit takers move in during afternoon

modest diversion of some of this and in longs. Treasury 7? per cash away from the money market. But by the close of business yesterday many obsertions and in longs. Treasury 7? per cent 2012-15 £? to £61%.

At 10 am the FT index was 3.4 points ahead but the advance to the second se vers were wondering whether the confidence had not been overdone and quotations softened after hours.

Before that, weekend com-ment extended last week's surge in gilrs and shares. Buyers fastened eagerly on suggestions

Two schools struggle in shares of ComPair. Early last week they slipped on fears that there would be no bid, but yesterday they hardened in to 775p after jumping 61p on Friday. Latest theory is that it Gas is after the group, but it is only a theory as yet. Comitself continues to say

that interest rates would soon start to fall, possibly as early as mid-February. The impression also persisted that an early end to the steel strike would be

Gains of up to £2 were seen in long gilts and of up to in shorts. Observers expect that the market will not remain long untapped however. It would not surprise them to see the authorities issue another tap at institutions may not be so flush

the end of this week in line Little activity with the market and by then reported in the sh re end of this week in the little activity was also-rish the market and by then reported in the shares of Tyne-istitutions may not be so flush side Investment Trust, Ip-firmer at 136p, and Carliol Meanwhile in undated stocks, Investment Trust, unchanged

Institutions have been full of War Loan where there has at 138p, as both waited for some in the past few days been evidence of foreign buy. Hume Holdings, with which hanks to half-yearly interest ing, went ahead £2 to £321, they are having talks, to make money in the past few days been evidence of foreign buy-thanks to half-yearly interest ing, went ahead £2 to £321.

payments, and the surge in gilt among mediums Treasury 10 edged and shares indicates a per cent 1992 rose £11 to £812

> s.4 points alread out the advance fanned out rapidly so that by 3 pm the index was 13.1 up at 448.3. The gain was not held and at the close the index was only 10.6 up at 445.8. It has indeed risen quickly since hitting a 1979-80 low of 406.3 on November 15 last, but the gain is still no more than one would expect from a rechnical from a technical recovery.

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throughout the market were nowhere better reflected than the industrials leaders. Unithe industrials leaders. Onlever 14p up at 476p and Glaxo 10p better at 468p continue to improve while ICI put on 6p at 373p and Fisons rose 5p to at 3/3p and risons rose ap to 289p. Elsewhere, Grand Metro-politan increased 6p to 143p, ahead of Thursday's figures and Trusthouse Forte also reporting later this week edged ahead 3p to 145p. Gains of 5p were reported in BAT's at 266p and Reccham at 127p, and and Beecham at 127p and Hawker Siddeley at 194p both

expanded 4p.
News that C. T. Bowring had, as expected, rejected the advances of United States broker, Marsh & Maclellan did little for the shares which remained unchanged at 139p. Little activity was also

weeks of 1979 at a time when

the mint had closed down for the annual four-week holiday. This, together with a week to

clean up and a week to restart

operations, means that for an effective six weeks no coins are

minted. The Intergold opera-tion of the Chamber of Mines

anticipates this gap by building up stocks which would normally

But demand during December far outran the most optimistic

expectations. Mr Mackay Cog-hill, general manager of Inter-gold said that by December 17, his organization had run out of stock. By December 21, except

satisfy expected demand.

a specific proposal.
Yesterday also saw the shares

of Boeing, the United States aircraft maker, commence deal-At 10 am the FT index was ing on the London market opening up at £251 and closing on the London market opening up at £251 and closing at £26. Emess Lighting, pm the index was 13.1 up at formerly ERA Ring Mill, also began trading yesterday, finishing 24p up on the placing price

Weekend comment provided weekend comment provided a firm spot for some shares with Lohnro 6p better at 93p, Thomas Tilling 5p better at 118p. But Kitchen Queen reacted badly on adverse comment that the group's recent spate of acquisitions had gone 160p as did Reo Stakis, also reporting on Wednesday, climb-

ing 7p to 53p.

of soaring demand.

in Germany.

was so fierce that the Interbank premium rose to 7 per cent.

This brought out some profit-taking but even so the premium

did not disappear: it fluctuated

between 4 per cent and 7 per cent when the bullion price hovered at record levels.

Although supplies were short in Britain, the squeeze was most acute in the United States and

The mint reopened on January 7 and by yesterday it was in full production. This

spate of acquisitions had gone badly wrong and was about to make a fair size dent in profits for the current year. As a result the shares slithered 6p to 28p. SGB Group was excited ahead of todays report improving 10p to 235p while Tate & Lyle with figures out on Wednesdap improved by the same amount at 160p as did Reo Stakis, also reporting on Wednesday, climband the shares jumped 10p to 178p as a result.

shares were 5p up at 84p.

yesterday Restmor jumped Sp

to 92p spurred on by its

announcement of a 33 per cent

rise in pre-tax profits and Kenning Motors advanced 25p

Determined honors have been at work in Unicorn Industries.

but the announcement of the Retail Price Index put paid to any further gains with most finishing off the top. House of Fraser was the main choice after further suggestions that Lourho was about to make a full-scale bid and the shares reacted 12p to 119p. Harris Queensway increased 3p to 59p as did Marks & Spencer at 89p. Boots were 7p better at 180p and GUS "A" managed a 2p rise on the day at 380p. Equity turnover on January L was £132.068m (16,127 bar-

Stores began the day on

firm note much in line with

the remainder of the market

at work in Unicorn Industries, the diamonds, abrasives and materials engineering group. The final dividend and figures are not due until April. In the half year to last June Unicorn just kept profits moving. Last September the group lost four key executives in a plane crash in the South of France. The shares were 5n un at 84n. II. was £132.068m (16,127 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were, ICI, Consolidated Gold Fields, Lasmo, Charter Consolidated, First National Finance, Rio Tinto Zinc, Lonrino, National Westminster, Shell, Dunlop, GEC, Marks & Spencer, Midland Bank, Barclays Bank, Ultramar, Imperial Continental Gas, Grand Imperial Continental Gas, Grand Metropolitan Hotels and Raca

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# **Recovery** in second half

Bett Brothers, the Dundeebased building contractor, suffered a difficult first half but managed to boost profits by the year end on a small decline in turnover.

work which now accounts for

ing the mix between the two during the year. Improved margins on the private housing side, in contrast to those in the public sector enabled the group

The share price rose 1p to 43p yesterday. Bett's property subsidiary,

formed to expectations, said the board. Rental income has increased and rent reviews have had a beneficial effect. The group has recovered some of the public sector work in the current year and managed to

increase margins with two new The final dividend is 2.14p

gross against 2p, making a total of 3.57p compared with 2.92p, a 30 per cent increase which was prompted by the end of divi-dend restraint.

figures for life assurance and annuities reported by the life associations show an increase for 1979 of 17 per cent to £1,620m. Single premiums rose from £539m to £630m. New sums assured increased by 11

#### New Life Business

per cent to £49,900m and new annuities by 9 per cent to £1,780m p.a. Mr Leonard Hall, chairman of The Life Offices' Association, said: "1979 was a satisfactory year for life assurance reflecting buoyant markets for unit-linked and with-profit endowment assurances and sustained demand for life policies taken out in connexion with cent.

yearly premium house purchase. New pensions business overall appears to have been only a little more than in the previous year but this was expected bearing in mind the upsurge in 1978 as a result of the introduction of the new State earnings-related peu-

CANNON ASSURANCE

iness figures for 1979. The number of new policies was 27 per cent up on 1978, at 14,500. New ner annual premiums were up by 60 per cent, to £2.4m. These included around £0.5m of annual premiums in respect of individual pension business. New net single premiums were 10 per cent up, to £4.6m. This is despite the fact that Cannon did not enter the short-term income bond market in 1979. New net sums assured went up to £139m-an increase of 62 per

## **Wellcome ends 1 pc ahead**

Wellcome Foundation, Mr A. J. This represents an increase of 8 per cent over the previous been about 18 and 16 per cent year. But group profits, before respectively. Foreign exchange tax, at £51.6m were just 1 per losses tose to £9.7m—more than cent higher. Net attributable treble the £3.2m of the previous profits emerged at £24.2m com-

Group sales of £412m are pared with £23.4m. The report reported by the chairman of the motes that the effects of the wellcome Foundation Mr A. I. Shepperd, in the accounts for the year ended August 25, 1979.

This well-come roundation, Mr A. J. the group and if sales and profits for 1978 and 1979 are compared in local currency. terms the increases would have

# Kenning diversification helps to overcome falling car sales

By Alison Mitchell
Diversification has helped
Kenning Motor Group contain
the downturn resulting from the fell in car sales. In the year to September 30,

1979, the group rurned in a pretax profit of £8.4m, against a previous £8.3m on turnover £20.5m higher at £236m. The figures were much as expected in the market and include de-preciation of £9m (against preciation of 1991 (against £7.6m) and interest charges of £1.2m compared with a previous £960,000. Borrowings, thought to be around £12m net,

amount to some 24 per cent of shareholders funds. In the period under review motor depots suffered from in-tense competition and margins were under pressure because of severe price cutting and high finance charges. Profits from the contract hire business fell as a result of high interest

charges and a shortage of cer-tain vehicles, particularly Minis. Kenning is a main dealer for BL cars in the UK. Car and van hire produced



George Kenning, chairman of the Kenning Group

record figures, despite the fall in the tourist trade. Profits were also sharply up in the tyre subsidiary.

to combine with reduced demand for new and second hand cars, to push profits lower says the chairman Mr George says the Kenning.

However, although the car distribution and short term car distribution and savet term car hire are likely to see a down-turn in profits, by some £1.5m, the other divisions ought to continue to improve their performance. As such, pre-tax pro-fit for the current year could amount to £7.25m.

amount to 2/25m.

The annual profit from the Rhodesian subsidiary which has not been reconsolidated amounts to £1.4m a rise of 14. per cent on the previous period. Ner assets there amount to £5m and it is thought that, if the figures are reconsolidated next year, the profits may make up the short-fall from the UK side of the business.

For shareholders there is a 13 per cent rise in the annual dividend at 7.8p gross which raises the yield, on a share price The group is cautious about forecasting for the current raises the yield, on a share price year. High interest rates and increased overheads are likely cent. The p/e ratio amounts to 5.

# Trusts invite Hume to bid talks

an 18 per cent stake in Carliol and a 14 per cent stake in Tyqueside. Since the news of the approach was announced

Carliol and Tyneside Investments Trusts have invited
Hume Holdings to a meeting by 30p and yesterday stood at than cash. The two trusts would
this week to discuss Hume's bid
approach.
Hume, which is a recentlyacquired subsidiary of Rothschild Investment Trust, holds
an 18 per cent stake in Carliol
ing prior charges at par giving

last week, Carliol and Tynewill be through a paper and
than cash. The two trusts would
than cash. The two same date was 156.5p, after taking prior charges at par, giving
negative discounts yesterday of
18 and 16 per cent.
If the scheme goes ahead, it

# **Record sales of Krugerrands**

December sales of Kruger- Krugerrands was caused by an the local market, not a single rands at 695,411 reached a abnormal demand in the closing coin was available at a time record peak, the previous high-est being just over half a million. For the year to December sales totalled 4,940,755.

Since the Krugerrand was first miated in November, 1970, the total sold has been 27,461,155 which is nearly the equivalent of a year's production of gold, and more than the South African annual output. The squeeze on Krugerrands which lifted the Interbank pre-

mium on the coins as high as 7 per cent has started to ease as supplies are now coming in volume from the South African

Mr Michael Vernon resigned

yesterday as chairman and chief executive of Spillers, the flour

directors of the company and Sir

Archibald Forbes company

G. Terry-Pryce, Dalgety group managing director, has been appointed chairman and chief

CHESHIRE BUILDING SOCIETY

receipts amounted to over £59m

Spillers' chairman

resigns

president. also

WEARWELL

T. COWIE

executive of Spillers.

his organization had run out of means that supplies should be stock. By December 21, except reaching all markets in a for a few thousand coins for normal flow from this week.

and pet food group taken over PICT PETROLEUM by Dalgety after a fierce hattle last year. A Dalgety spokesman said compensation had now been agreed, but declined to disclose the figure, which some sources

200,000. All three non-executive MERCANTILE CREDIT

Applications were received for 5.76m new ordinary shares at 34p per share (93.07 per cent). Offered to shareholders in Wearwell by way of rights. Balatce of 429,300 new ordinary shares have been sold at a premium.

The Cheshire Building Society, one of the big three North Westbased building societies, aumounce that assets increased in 1979 by 21 per cent to £118m. The society now has over 100,000 investing members whose holdings are in excess of £110m. Gross investment receipts amounted to over £50m. DELTENNE HOLDINGS and total interest paid to mem-bers exceeded £8.5m. Mortgage lending amounted to almost £24m.

ANCHOR CHEMICAL

Reserves of E5m represent 4.3 per cent of assets with liquidity of £21m being equivalent to 18 per CTEVES GROUP The improvement in supply of

The improvement in supply of vehicles in the past few months has enabled the group to generate profits exceeding those in the similar period of last year and the chairman. Mr T. Cowie, is

GRANGE TRUST

Prc-tax revenue for year to Nov 30 up from £440,000 to £617,000. Total gross dividend, 4.57p (3.58p).

have estimated could approach

leasing arrangement, worth £10m, with International Computers to finance the redevelopment of ICL's 13-acre site at Manchester.

COMMON BROTHERS Electra Investment Trust is in-terested in 419,500 ordinary shares (13.94 per cent) of Common Brothers Group.

Delrenne Holdings' three-for-five rights issue of 3.55m new ordin-ary shares has been taken up for 83.1 per cent. Balance sold at a premium.

Sartomer Industries has bought a further 35,000 ordinary shares in Anchor Chemical, making a rotal of 530,000 ordinaries (18 per cent).

hopeful that this will continue in UNILOCK GROUP the coming months. Unilock Group

Pre-tax profit for year to October
31, £23,000 (£482,000). Board considering appropriate time at which to seek Stock Exchange listing

The first of the first of

Mercantile Credit, through its offshoot, Barclays Mercantile lo-dustrial Finance has carried by the second of the

Briefly

Unilock Group is to buy Ergonom International Holdings in exchange for an issue of Unilock shares, subject to Unilock sharesholders' approval. Ergonom are importers and distributors of office furniture systems, etc.

SEARS HOLDINGS

Sears Holdings' offer for Wallis Fashion Group accepted for over 90 per cent of the ordinary and preference capital. Takeover not to be referred to Monopolies Commission. Offers unconditional and will remain ones.

Pre-tax revenue of Murray Northern Investment Trust for half-year to November 30 up from £412,000 to £440,000.

Pre-tax profit for year to September 30 up from £102,000 to

£116.000. Gross dividend. 3.14p

TULLIS RUSSELL

The assets of Brittains Conver-ters, previously a member of the Brittains Group, which is in receivership, have been purchased by Tullis Russell, the Scottish papermekers. Brittains Hanley fac-ters becomes a rehelidize of Tullic tory becomes a subsidiary of Tullis Russell and will commence trading as Brittains (TR) Limited.

CLAVERHOUSE TRUST Claverhouse Investment Trust's gross revenue for 1979 rose from £699,000 to £919,000. Total gross dividend, 8.5p (6.38p).

FORT ELECTRONICS

Liquidator reports that he is now able to conclude the winding up of the company. As already known, no dividend is payable to either the preferential or unsecured creditors.

# aids Bett Brothers

By Rosemary Unsworth

Pre-tax profits rose by 13 per cent to £2.3m while turnover went from £20.6m to £20.3m in the year to August 31, 1979. The turnover downturn was largely due to the fall in public sector

£6m of group turnover. Private housing work contri-buted £10m to sales thus reversto match the expected profits.

which contributed about £460,000 profit, has continued to ncrease its portfolio, and per

contracts.

# Premiums top £1,620m

significantly improved new bus-

Speaking to a group of lead-ing figures in insurance com-

panies.

# Rantlodge plan for Nationwide aging director of Nationwide's ings at 6p per share. The group, largest subsidiary Surrey Car having 50.02 per cent, were and Caravan Company.

By our Financial Staff Rantlodge, a private invest-

ment company, which recently took control of the troubled Nationwide Leisure has an-nounced its management plan for the group.

The three directors of Rant-lodge, Mr Tony Hanson, Mr Eric Farmsworth and Mr Jeremy Muller will take over the board of Nationwide Additionally Mr Vincent Cobb, who is managing director of Rantlodge's travel subsidiary Club 18-30 will become manag-ing director of leisure and travel at Nationwide while Mr buy a further 30 per cent from leisure interests Rantlodge is it Brian Gurnett will become man-the chairman Mr John Hutch-volved in property leaseholds.

- These moves will not take place until the current Nationwide directors co-opt the Rantlodge men on to the board and resign themselves. Mr Muller said yesterday that terms for the resignations are still being worked out.

rest of the shares and, when the offer closed at the end. of last week, Rantlodge had?

per ceat.
The three directors of the Nationwide board other than Mr Hutchings, wrote to share-Rantlodge, which was set up in 1977, was offered its initial 20 per cent stake in Nation-wide in that year by British cent holding. Last night none would make any comment on Car Auctions and in November Outside of its travel and outside of its travel and interests Rantlodge is in-

# Change in tax incentives planned

Legislation to prevent United that the reinvigoration of small engineering strike. But a con-Kingdom tax incentives from companies was a crucial element siderable improvement is seen. being used to support the leasing abroad of foreign equipment is planned for the 1980 Finance Bill. The move, first outlined by the Inland Revenue last October, is a result of the end-

issued a consultative document, which goes into more detail on how the new provisions will operate. The most important provision remains that expediture on foreign plant and ities Corporation, a newly for leasing to non-resident lessees will qualify for Amman, Jordan, and has A \$25m medium-term factories. only 25 per cent capital allowances on a reducing balance instead of the usual 100 per cent first-year allowances.

Return of small investor needed

The Government is hoping for a revival of the small investor— personified by "Aunt Agarba in all her manifestations"—Indus-try Secretary Sir Keith Joseph said yesterday.

paries, pension funds. clearing and merchant banks. he com-mented that the first step towards fiscal changes had been taken at the last Budget. Although other possibilities were being examined the financial institutions also had a part to play, particularly in the field of investment in small com-

Sir Keith acknowledged that there was a high risk and high cost of vetting and monitoring small investments but he said

in the revival of the economy. Because of the extent of the institutional dominance in capital markets, they had a part to play, he added.

ing of exchange controls.
The Inland Revenue has now S Montagu's stake in

Samuel Montagu & Co has subscribed for a 5 per cent shareholding in Jordan Secur- Banking facility of

from both the public and private sectors, together with Inter-national Finance Corporation lessor in Britain. (10 per cent), Kuwait Inter-national Investment Company (10 per cent), European Arab Bank (5 per cent), and some 2,000 private Jordanian invest-

#### Engineering dispute knocks E Elliott

In the half year to September 30, pre-tax profits of E. Elliott slumped from £104,000 to £37,000. This was in spite of turnover rising from £2.48m to £2.85m. The board said the profit fall resulted from a "significant" reduction in margins and the effects of the

for the second half, although the board warns that the final profit will not match last year's. While maintaining the interim dividend at 1.42p gross. the board also warns that it is uncertain of the effects of the Amman merchant bank steel strike. Elliott are moulders in plastic and makers of optical goods.

lessor in Britain. Half-time figures

Having topped the 11m mark in 1978-79, the pre-tax profits of the Restmor Group, makers of baby carriages and nursery furniture, go marching on. Inthe half-year to October 31, they rose from \$565,000 to £750,000 on turnover up from £4.29m to £6.2m. The interim dividend is being boosted from 0.41p to 0.71p gross. But the board say it is difficult, in the present conditions, to forecast the outcome for the remainder of the

# Renault's all round record

French state-owned Renault Motor Company has announced record production. sales and exports for 1979, and is looking forward to further expansion in the 1980s.

Turnover rose by 23 per cent Jast year to Fr42.2bn (about

# International

of the French market to 35 per cent from 34.2 per cent in 1978, and improved its penetration in all members of the EEC where Renault took 12.8 per cent of the market. Sales of Renault models rose

23.8 per cent in Italy (9.8 per cent of the market), 5.3 per

cent in West Germany (5 per cent) and 34.2 per cent in Britain (5.4 per cent). Increases were also recorded in Belgium, Holland and Spain.

Cavenham Texas Cavenham Holdings America says the offer by its

Cavenham Holdings indicated that more than 93 per cent of the outstanding Weingarten shares had been tendered. Cavenham also indicated that payment for all shares properly tendered would be made as soon as practicable. Turnover rose by 23 per cent last year to Fr42.2bn (about f4.4bn) while group sales increased by 20 per cent to Fr68.5bn.

Worldwide production of Renault increased 10.5 per cent to 1,899,470 units, while exports rose 13 per cent to 1,085,434 vehicles or 57.1 per cent of ourput. It increased its share the same shares would receive \$12 for each of their shares of Weingarten common and Weingarten would become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cavenham Texas.

Swedish Eurocredit The Swedish forestry firm, Norrlands Skogsagares Celulosa AB (NCB) is raising \$46.5m through a syndicated Euro-

credit.

The seven-year credit has a three-and-a-half year grace period and carries interest at per cent over London Inter-Lead manager Pkbanken Investments said they lead managed a seven-year \$27.175m credit for the Norwegian ship-ping company, Partederiet Wilnora, but did not disclose

wholly-owned subsidiary, Cavenham Texas, to purchase shares of common stock of J. Weingarten expired at the weekend.

Germany has confirmed as lead manager, the Ireland Dm150m eight-year Eurobond with 8; per cent coupon was priced at par.

Mergers

# A sign of good times and bad

Mtrgers are a barometer of business optimism. Or so says Mr Nicholas Stacey, deputy chairman of Chesham Amalgamations & Investments, a company specializing in arranging for one firm to marry another, with or without a shotgun. In his latest annual report on this vital, if slightly arcane, area of financial statistics, Mr Stacey estimates that last year the value of acquisitions was £1.8bn, compared with £1.14bn in

This might suggest that we are returning to the bad old days of the early 1970s when mergers mounted, reaching their peak in 1972 when they were valued at £2.53bn. But the barometer's precise warning is clouded by two provisos: the number of deals in 1979 was an estimated 550, against 567 for the previous year; and in real terms, taking 1969 as a base, their value was

taking 1969 as a base, their value was f531m, well below the level attained a decade before.

Mr Stacey feels that mergers may be on the increase. This year could see more acquisitions of greater value than 1979. It would be wrong, however, to assume that mainly small fish being gobbled up by presumably igger fish is necessarily undesirable. Small is not logically more beautiful than big.

The contemporary fashion is for investing and encouraging small comvesting and encouraging small com-panies, either private or quoted. They offer faster growth attractive to investors when yield is an important con-Commerzbank AG of West
Germany has confirmed as lead
manager, the Ireland Dm150m
eight-year Eurobond with 8; per
cent coupon was priced at a re-

So one aspect of the merger business at the moment is "hiving off". A company started as part of a larger concern, or caught up in the mesh of a nationalor caught up in the mesh of a nationalized industry, may well thrive on independent management and finance. In 1969 12 per cent of acquisitions, or 102 companies, were hived off. Last year the number was 123 or 22.4 per cent. But that leaves a substantial residue of companies which merged for other reasons. The argument is whether the rances are internal to the company.

causes are internal to the company, or external, or a combination. Often,

intrenal factors are crucial. Since many small companies are started by entre-preneurs, they are often reliant on the ealth and energy of the founder or his The biggest single reason for merg-ing, therefore, is the inability or reluct-ance of a businessman, in his later years, to tackle the increasingly awkward problems of modern business. At around 200 employees such a com-pany can feel it has reached the boundaries of its management capacity.

Access to capital is infrequently the Access to capital is infrequently the difficulty. Merging is obviously a way in which more capital is found. But that is usually because small companies are not aware of the alternatives, or do not want to use them. A family might prefer to sell out rather than go to the trouble of obtaining a stock exchange listing. People who regard mergers as bad, as leading to the great a concentration.

as leading to too great a concentration of capital and of clipping companies' growth prospects in their prime, are attacking the wrong target. The solu-

tion, Mr Stacey suggests, is not more

but less control over private capital

movements and mergers and mono-

The concomittant of wanting to encourage small business is to ease capital taxes and to use monopoly legislation with more discretion. This would turn the preesnt Government's policy upside down. Instead of strengthening legislation on monopolies, which in some quarters is regarded as adequate, government should pay less atention to perfect market theories and more to whether mergers in fact intensify competition.
After all, ther

centrate the market—though not necessarily against the public interest—and mergers which give new life to a company, enabling it to expand, create more jobs, develop new products.

Companies have a life cycle. We can no more live in a world of small companies than we can live in a world populated only by children. Companies are bought, new ones take their place, the complexion of the bigger, acquiring company changes. In this sense entrepreneurial companies are popularizers, introducing new business and new products.

ference between mergers which do con-centrate the market—though not

all, there is a world of dif-

ducts.

But there must still be truth in the received idea that mergers are a sign of bad times. If mergers are a barometer of confidence, the argument works both ways. If business looks healthy, companies will invest and expand by buying others. If business looks poor, companies may be forced to seek partners.

partners. Optimism is bardly the motivation at the moment. Indeed, a depressed stock

market may deter small companies from selling, though it is also an inducement to potential buyers if the company fits in with their plans. Much of the buying over the next couple of years could come from companies which are looking for these deserts over if they do not be the second of the for cheap assets, even if they do not expect the general business climate to improve much.

One problem is that with interest One problem is that with interest rates at current levels, a company has to be very profitable before it is a merger target. Thus, of the 3,000 companies Chesham investigates every year, only about 10 per cent are persuaded to surrender their independence. So far, competition from imports has not here a factor. But that the second companies has not here a factor. But their second companies and the second company has been a factor. But the second company has a seco not been a factor. But that may well be changing, and gloomy as it sounds, pessimism is every bit as contagious as optimism. In depressions, for a while least, mergers are not accompanied the birth of new companies.

	Actual value	Adjusted value acquisitions
	of acquisitions	(1969-10)
	2M	M2
1969	1068.9	1068.9
1970	1122.5	1041.3
1971	911.1	775.3
1972	2531.6	2001.3
1973	1304.3	932.3
1974	508.4	304.9
1975	290.8	139.7
1976	448.1	187.0
1977	823.8	306.5
1978	1139.5	391.2
1979	1800.0 (est	.) 530.8

Michael Prest

formed merchant bank based in Amman, Jordan, and has entered into an agreement for the provision of technical advisory services. JSC will undertake a comprehensive range of merchant banking activities, primarily in Jordan.

The share capital of JSC is 2m Jordanian Dinars, The other shareholders include 20 leading independent specialists in car shareholders include 20 leading independent specialists in car Jordanian financial institutions and commercial vehicle leasing and fleet management is now

up at Restmor

year.

#### **Business** appointments Automotive **Products**

chief executive

Mr George Pears has been appointed chief executive of Antomotive Products, succeeding Mr John Panks. Mr Panks remains executive chairman and Mr Pears managing disectors. managing director.

Dr Alan Gambie has been made technical director of Johnstone & Cumbers.
Mr Barry Alger becomes managing director of Dulayitte Develop-Mr Ronald Stedman has been

appointed managing director of Durham Chemicals. He takes over from Mr John Thompson who remains chairman of the company and chief executive of the Durham Chemical ground Chemical group. Mr John Alvey is to be semor director, technology, of the new technology executive at the Post Office's telecommunications bead-

Quarters.

Mr P. F. Huggins has been made chief executive of Hartwells Group in addition to his duties as deputy chairman. Mr F. S. Huggins continues as chairman. Mr James Lamb, group managing director, has been appointed chairman and chief executive of Clutsom-Penn International.

Mr Martin Richards is to succeed Mr J. W. Morgan as a non-executive director of Euckley's Brewere.

appointed managing director and Miss Kimberly Albright executive director of the International Monetary Market's European representative office. Mr J. Sheppard Poor has been amed vice-chaleman of Morgan

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# FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

# Boeing now listed on London Exchange

By Our Financial Staff
Boeing, the giant United
States manufacturer of civil and
military aerospace equipment,
was listed on the London Stock
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military aerospace equipment, was listed on the London Stock Exchange yesterday. It will also be listed on the three Swiss exchanges on Thursday. The listing was arranged by stockbrokers Grieveson. Grant.

Mr T. A. Wilson, Boeing chairman, said that sales for the financial year just completed will come to about \$8bn (f3.54bn), an increase of some 50 per cent on 1978. Earnings per share in the first nine months were \$5.63, up 67 per cent, while total earnings for the same period were \$361m.

Boeing believes that about 2m of its shares are in the hands of the United Kingdom investors, with "several million" more on the Continent, mainly in Switzerland and Belgium. Mr Wilson said listing the shares in London would make it easier for European investors to trade the stock and to follow price movements.

Despite increased interest

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Despite increased interest from United Kingdom investors in United States companies, especially since the abolition of exchange controls, neither Boeing nor its stockbrokers expect a sudden increase in demand for the stock. In recent weeks Boeing's price in New York has climbed about \$10 to around \$58.

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Mr Wilson said that the current order book is \$17bn, about 90 per cent of which is commercial. That could change if Boeing was contracts for the MX missile, Production has been increased from 19 aeroplanes a month to 28.

#### **Options**

Traded options continued to make further ground yesterday, mainly on the back of increased activity in the rest of the market, with total contracts rising from 1,007 to 1,337—the highest figure since October 17.

Business was fairly evenly spread with dealers reporting active two-way trading. Once again Consolidated Gold Fields featured prominently account-ing for 425 contracts but a fair amount of profit taking was also reported. Land Securities continued to make good progress with hopes of a decrease in interest rates and accounted for 144 contracts. for 144 contracts.

A fairly busy time was reported among traditional options where Lonrho appears to be the star performer after recent comment over its African mining interests. Gold shares continue to feature prominently among "puts" as in the cases of Loraine, F. S. Geduld, and Venterspost.

#### RETAIL SALES

The following are the figures for the volume and value of retail sales released by the Department of Trade.

	by volume (seasonally adjusted) 1971 = 100 c	value (not adjusted) % change in year earlier
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LME metal stocks Stocks in London Metal Exchange official warehouses at the end of last week. (all in tonnes except silver were: Copper down 2.425 to 123,025. The up 175 to 2.180; Lead down 375 to 172,025; Ziec down 375 to 21,900; Nickel down 48 to 6.424; Silver down 320,000 to 12,940,000 troy ounces.

# Bank Base Rates

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\* 7 day deposit on sums of £10,000 and under 15%, up to £25,000 15% %, over 25,000 151, Cr.

# Wall Street

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rose five points and advances declines mine to seven. Turnov of 52,920,000 shares abo matched the \$2,890,000 traded Friday

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# **Commodities**

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#### Discount market

The severe shortage of money persisted in the market yesterday and the authorities operated on a scale described officially as exceptionally large to relieve the shortage. The Bank of England lent an exceptionally large amount to 10 or 11 discount houses at MLR until Wednesday and also bought a moderate amount of Treasury bills and a small amount of local authority bills some of which were for resale at a later of local authority bills some of which were for resale at a later date.

Rates for day to day secured loans held at 16; to 17 per cent throughout with only trifling amounts taken at the lower rate. Almost all the factors were against the market. These included substantial gilt-edged sales by the authorities. large adverse balances brought forward and, at a lower level of significance, a small adverse Treasury bill take-up and a small excess of Revenue receipts over disbursements.

#### **Money Market** Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 17% (Last changed 15,11.75)
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	Morning.—Cash, £350-31; fhree months, £344-45. Settlement, £331.	brods (quie)): March, 188-98; May, 188-98; July, Oct. Dec. March, May, July all 187-97, Sales, bil,
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3. 4.	Metal Exchange -Afternoon Cash	east coast. EEC unquoted. MAIZE.—US unquoted. French: Jan. £115.50: Fob. £116.50 quoted east coast. South African white and yellow
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5,	each. Morning,—Cash. 1807-1812p;	BARLEY.—English feed fob: Jan, £96.50; Jan-March, £98.50; April-June, £103.50 east coast. All per tonne cif
3. 7:	three months, 1832-35p. Settlement,	£103.50 east coast. All per tonne cif
1.	Sales, 65 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash. 1807-1812p: three months, 1832-55p. Settlement, 1813p. Sales, 84 lots. ALUMINIOM was firm.—Afternoon.—Cash. £918.20 per metric ton; three months. £897.98. Sales 4.500 tons. Morning.—Cash £905-908; three months. £885.86. Settlement, £908. Soles, 1,500 ions.	
_	months, \$897.98, Sairs 4.500 tons.	London Grain Futures Market (Gafta). ELC origin—BARLEY was steady: Jun. 291-95; March, 295-25; May, 299-40; Sept. 293-90; Nov. 297-60, Sales, 181 lois. WHEAT was aleady: Jun. 295-25; March, 298-55; May, 2103; Sept. 297-10; Nov. 2100-65, Salos, 279 lots.
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5. 6.	Api-June 81.10-81.30; Jly-Sep 83.90-	MEAT COMMISSION: Average faistock
 1-	RUBBER was uncertain after steady (pence per hilo): Feb 72.80-73.00; Mch 74.28-74.25; Apl-Jine 74.45-75.00; Jly-Sep 76.70-76.80; Oct-Dec 78.20-78.25; An-Mch 79.50-79.60; Apl-Jime 81.10-81.30; Jly-Sep 82.90-83.10; Oct-Dec 84.30-84.60, Sales. 252 at five tonnes; 618 at 15 tonnes.	January 14.—GB: Cattle 79.86p per
.0	RUBBER PHYSICALS were quiet: Spot 72.7673.50. Cirs. Feb 71-71.50; Mch 71.76-72.50. COFFEE: ROBUSTAS (£ per meunc con. Lan 1.856.61. March 1.592.85	Scotland  MEAT COMMISSION: Average fatstock prices et representative markets on lanuary 14.—CB: Cattle 79.85p per kg lw (-0.32). UK: Sheep 134.8p per kg est dw (-4.5). CB: Pigs 65.1p per kg lw (+5.3). England and Wales: Cattle numbers down 74. per cent, average price 80.15p (-0.16). Sheep numbers down 27.5 per cent, average price 122.4p (-1.2). Pig numbers down 16.7 per cent, average price 78.56p (-1.08). Sheep numbers down 10.7 per cent, average price 131.4p (-7.7). Pig numbers down 10.7 per cent, average price 131.4p (-7.7). Pig numbers down 10.7 per cent, average price 131.4p (-7.7). Pig numbers down 10.7 per cent, average price 131.4p (-7.7). Pig numbers down 1.5.7 per cent, average price 57.2p (+1.2). TEA.—Motzambique orthodox soris
_	71.75-72.50. CBS, FBB 11-71.50; MCR	kg lw (+3.3), England and Wales:
	COFFEE: ROBUSTAS (£ per meunc ton: Jan. 1.555-63: March. 1.582-85: May. 1.595-97: July. 1.516-20: Sept. 1.616.16: Nov. 1.660-10: Jan. 1.690- 1.616. Sates: 2,850 lots Including 59	average price 80.15p (-0.16). Sheep
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	(£ per metric lon): March, 1,465-64;	15.7 per cent, average price 131.4p
y	1,482-85; Dec. 1,510-15; March, 1,525-	(-7.7), Plg numbers down 40.9 per
a a	40; May, 1,541-65, Sales; 2,584 lots	TEA Nozambique orthodox sorts
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ıd	SUGAR.—The London dally price of	TEA.—Mozambique orthodox sorts proved the feature of this week's sale and sometimes gained 5p to 10p in a very strong market. Of 48,715 packages on offer. Assam circ's soid well but at slightly lower rates.
at	BUIGAR.—The London daily price of "raws" was £10 hisher at £178; the "white" brice was £6 higher at £188. Futures '£ per tonne; Old anirract (steady); March 184.30.84.50; May, 184.65-84.70; Aug, 184-80-84.50; May, 184.65-80.865; Sales, 6.580 tois. New energact (guist); May, 183.40.85.50; Aug, 185-65.50; May, 184.55-85.00; Sales, 219 hols. Sales, 200. April, 186-91; July, 186-90; Soll. 187-92; Nov. 188-94; Feb. 185-200; April, 180-91; July, 186-90; Soll. April, 180-200. Seles, 12 lots. SovaBBAN MEAN, was quict [£ per SovaBBAN MEAN, w	
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đ	White sugar was quiet: Feb. 185-90:	Spring Grove Ord 1701 70
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<del>'5</del> e.	April, 192-200. Sales, 12 lots,	Wistrust 1020 Com Pl 93
re	SOVABEAN MEAL was quiet (£ per toune): Feb. 119.60-20.50; April. 116.70-16.90; June. 115.40-15.80; Aug. 117-17.30; Oct. 116.50-16.50; Oct. 117-50-16.50; Oct. 117-50-16.50; Oct. 117-50-16.50; Oct. 118.50-16.50; Oct. 118.50; Oct. 118.	Latest
se	116.70-16.90: June, 116,40-15.80: Aug, 117-17.30: Oct, 116.50-16.50:	date of RIGHTS ISSUES renum
ed.	Aug. 117-17.30; Oct. 116.50-16.50; Dec. 117.50-18.50; Feb. 120-21, Sales. 25 lots.	Eson Robbins (402) Feb 29 42 premié Westwell (342) Feb 15 132 prem
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OATS: March 143'a-'ac; May 154'ac; July 163c: Sep 170c; Dec 179'ac; COCOA: March 138,05c-139,20c;

## Foreign exchange report

The pound extended recent gains yesterday following a fairly good demand and closed at \$2.2750, virtually the top of the day and nearly 2 cents up on Friday's \$2.2575. The tradeweighted level rose from 71.0 to 71.4, the best for four mouths. Rises were accentuated by a general shortage of pounds, dealers said. Little notice was taken of the troubled United Kingdom labour scene, notably the biting steel strike.

The dollar was steady through-

larue price in parentheses. \* Ex dividend.
† Issued by leader ; Nil paid. a £10 paid. b £30
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## Sterling Spot and Forward

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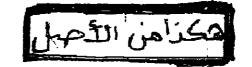
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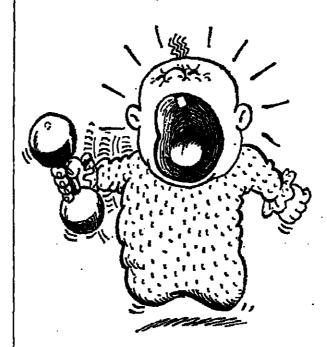
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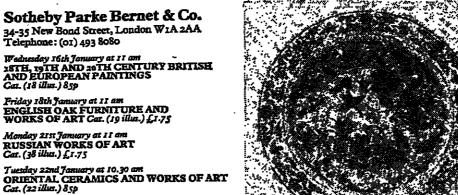
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Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks make their footprints in the cement outside Grauman's Theatre in Los Angeles. With them is Sid Grauman (Hollywood, ITV, 9.00)

& Adam Clapham may not be the man who dreamt up the idea behind the BEC's new Decision series (BBC1, 8.10), but his name is on the credits as series producer alongside those of producer Petricia Houlihan and presenter John Pitman, so he producer Patricia Houlihan and presenter John Pitman, so he can at least claim an equal share of the credit for their success. Such a clever, obvious and rewarding idea. People at the crossroads are seen at the moment of decision—will it be this way?—the way they feel they should go? Or that way?—the way other people think they should go? Last week, it was the crippled woman who made up her mind to have her baby, despite the risks she was running. Tonight, it is the woman who sacrificed her family to enter an enclosed order of Benedictine nuns. Next week, it is the three old people who don't like the idea of an OAP's home, yet still decide to spend their last few years of life together. Given the infinite variety of life, Mr. Clapham could find himself saddled with a series that could go on for ever.

go on for ever.

© The new BBC 2 series, War School, about what goes on at the Army Staff College at Camberley (part 2 can be seen tomorrow night) got off to a cracking start last week. What caused a stir among news men, including our own Fred Emery, were the sequences showing British soldiers coping with some insurgents, firing on rioters in a British city, and not looking at all as if they were pretending, which of course they were.

The commandant of the college is the controversial Major General
Sir Frank Kitson. He is one of Robin Day's panellists in tonight's
Question Time (BBC 1, 11.12) and I will be astonished if he
does not find himself under fire from Mr Day, the audience,

or both.

The most chilling aspect of Ray Bradbury's science-fiction is that the magical horrors or horrible magic which permeate much of his work could lie around the next bend, for all of us. Tonight's Omnibus film about Mr Bradbury, the Illustrated Man (BBC 1, 10.20) is a dramatized biography which shows how the tap root of the writer's frighteningly imaginative powers was firmly embedded in his early childhood. It is an exact parallel with Charles Dickens, who like Bradbury, loved bringing the cold damp of fear to our foreheads as he told us that Something Wicked This

way Comes.

© On Radio 3, at 7.30, you can find out why David Suchet won the 1979 Society of Authors Pye Radio Award for his performance as the man who murders his wife in Peter Farago's version of Tolstoy's The Kreutzer Sonata. Just Mr Suchet, by himself,

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# **Broadcasting Guide**

Edited by Peter Davalle

# TELEVISION

BBC 1 9.35 am For Schools, Colleges. 9.35 Out of The Past (working horses); 9.58 Maths in a box; 10.16 Look and Rend; 10.38 Resource Units 1-3 (English); 11.09 Watch (Bookmak-ing); 11.17 Television Club; 11.38 Design by Five; 12.65 General Studies. Closedown at 12.30 12.45 News and weather.

12.45 News and weather.
1.00 Pebble Mill at One; Three experts offer suggestions on everything from health to the law and 1.45 Trumpton: the story of Mrs Cobbit and the Ice Cream Man

2.00 Yand Me : repeat of the 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 item. 2.14 For Schools, Colleges: 2.14 Encounters; Germany; 2.30 Julius Caesar (Part 1). Closedown at 3.00. 3.25 Dechran Siarad: Welsh pro-3.55 Play School: Margaret Kidd's story Ashok's Kite. 4.20 Yogi Bear: cartoon. Queen Bee for a Day (r).

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10.05 am Get Organized—for Safety's Sake: mainly for trade unionists (r).

Closedown at 10.30. (No connection with the preceding item).

11.00 Play School. same as BBC 1,

3.55.

11.25 Write Away: How to write safety reports. With Barry Took (r).

(r).

11.40 It's a Great Life: Young people and sport (r).

Closedown at 12.05 pm.

2.30 Dilemmas: Professor Bernard Williams asks the question, How Important is Sex? and tries to answer it.

answer it.

3.00 Illusions of Reality: The effect of cinema on public opinion in the 1930s (r).

3.30 The Living City: Sociology series. The power of the: voter.

9.30 am For Schools: 9.30 Experiment: Biology; 9.47 Seeing and Doing (rain); 10.04 Rending with Lenny; 10.16 Why Work?; 10.35 English Programme; 11.05 Leapfrog (maths); 11.22 Good Health; 11.39 The Land (Peak District and Shoffield)

12.00 Simon in the Land of Chalk Drawings: Bernard Cribbins tells

two stories. 12.10 pm Pipkins: the story Getting

Tom's Attention. 12,30 The Sullivans: family series,

1.30 Airport Chaplain: Drama series with Ronald Forfar as the clergyman who has a most untypi-

cal congregation.
2.00 Afternoon Plus: Morecambe
and Wise interview, and an item

on private old people's homes. 2.45 Wilde Alliance: John Stride and Julia Foster in another tale of the detective fiction writer and his

is MC of this word-game, with prizes.

whose lives parallel the writer's books. 3.45 Three Little Words: Don Moss

set in Melbourne. 1.00 News. 1.20 Thames News.

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BBC 2

6.50 Robbie: Fyfe Robertson inter-views fashion photographer Norman Parkinson. 7.20 The Rockford Flies: The private investigator (James Garner) becomes the third side in a romannctionist the part sine in a romanric triangle.

8.10 Decision: Part 2 of John Pitman's new series. The story of
Elizabeth Edwards what has
become a man, to the distress of
her parents (see Personal Choice).

9.00 News: with Richard Baker.

9.25 Flesh and Blood: part 2 of
John Finch's family saga, set in
Yorkshire.

Transportation. 6.10 The Waltons: John-Boy up-

the woman who raises cash for kidney patients by singing to people at bus stops. And we meet a

camel doctor in Israel.

Yorkshire.

Closedown at 3.55.

4.25 Jackanory: Michael Trough-ton reads part 2 of Joan Tate's See How They Run. A thriller. 4.40 Animal Magic: Johnny Mor-ris's furred and feathered world. 10.20 Ray Bradbury—The Illustrated Man: Omnibus profile of one of the world's finest sciencefiction Choice). writers (see Personal 5.65 John Craven's Newstound: items for young viewers.
5.10 Grange Hill: Comprehensive school serial, Part 3: a trip to the countryside.

11.10 News headlines. 11.12 Question Time: Robin Day's panel of speakers are : Norman St loun Stevas, Tony Benn, Germaine Greer and General Sir John Hack-35 The Perishers : comedy with ett (see Personal Choice). 12.12 am Weather and closedown of 12.15. Leonard Rossiter.
5.40 News: with Angela Rippon.
5.55 Nationwide.

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of Sport. 12.12 am News and weather.
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dolph. Tack Buchanan's frequent 5.40 Flash Gordon Conquers the Universe: Part 9. The Pool of Peril, With Buster Crabbe. 6.60 Carloon World: Romance of partner in 1930s musicals 9.00 Film: Newsfront (1978).
Another in BBC 2's new series
Movie Showcase which features
films only recently seen (or not
seen) in our cinemas. This one is
from Australia and was greeted
with fanfares by many critics. It
tells of the rivalry between newsreel companies in Australia from
1948 to 1956. Makes excellent use
of genuine newsreel footage.
10.50 The Old Grey Whistle Test: covers a family secret involving his bride-to-be. 6.55 The World About Us: How the spirit doctors of Kelanian, on the east coast of the Malay permisula, treat psychological illness with music, magic and trance. Kelanian 10.50 The Old Grey Whistle Test: Rock music from Sore Throat and The Ramones, also record reviews

music, magic and trance, Kelantan is a Muslim society with one of the highest divorce rates in the world.
7.45 News: with sub-nitles for the hard of hearing.
7.55 Tex Avery Cartoons: Hen pecked Hoboes and Hick Chick.
8.10 Company and Co: Episode 2 of this new comedy thriller series about a nightclub. Includes a guest appearance by Elsie Ranger.

10.50 The Old Grey Whistle Test: Rock music from Sore Throat and The Ramones. also record reviews and news.
11.30 News and weather.
11.45 Hollywood and Vine: John Thaw reads another of Scorr Fizzerald's four stories about the movie capital: Teamed with Genius.

4.15 Get it Together: Pop music 5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News. programme from Granada TV. 6.25 Help! Joan Shenton's us programme. Torught, the world to the control of the co 6.25 Help! Joan Shenton's useful programme. Tonight, the work of the British Rheumatism and Arth-

ritis Association.

6.35 Crossroads: motel serial. Arthur Brownlow's lie. 7.00 Charlie's Angels: Women crime-fighters in action again. 8.00 Armchair Thriller: The Vic-tim. Episode 3 of this story about a kidnapped girl. Tonight her father hunts the kidnapper. 8.30 Robin's Nest: comedies about

a young couple's bistro. Where can they put their impending baby? 9.00 Hollywood: Part 2 of Thames Television's ambitions series about the early days of the movie capital. 10.00 News.

10.30 Film: Play Misty for Me (1971). Very dramatic, often chilling, story about the strange woman who keeps asking a radio disc jockey to play the same song for her. Clint Eastwood stars and skilfully directs. Jessica Walter is the

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10.05 In Britain Now. 10.30 Daily Service. 10.45 The Bridge of San Luis Rey Radio 3 6.55 am Weather.

7.00 News. 7.05 Records: Handel, Beethoven, Butterworth, Canteloube, d'Indy.+ 8.05 Records. Respighi, Tchaik-orsky, Vaughan Williams, William-son.†

9.00 News. 9.05 Gluck (Le Cadi dupé).† 10.00 Trio somatas.† 11.00 Piano: Beethoven (op 31 no 3), Chopin. Liszt.†

12,00 Northern Sinfonia Orch/Eedford: C. P. E. Bach, Tippett, Haydn (Sym 43).† 1.00 pm News. 1.65 Six Continents: world news. 1.20 Solo violin (Zivoni): Ysaye, Whettam.† 1.55 Polish Ch Orch/Maksymiuk: Jarzebski, Moniuszko, A. Bloch.† 2.50 In the Shadows of the Great:

5.35 Weather.
6.00 News.
6.30 Just a Minute.†
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Heart and Home. Women's Robbins Landon on Gyrowetz.†
3.25 Records: Bartok (Qrtet 6),
Lajtha (Sym 4).† magazines.†
8.05 in Touch.
8.30 Moonshine on Trees.†
9.15 From Our Own Correspon-4.25 Jazz Today.† 4.55 News. 5.03 Music for early evening.† 7.00 Clarinet and piano (de Peyer/ Barenboim): Brahms (Son 2).†

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9.30 Kaleidoscope.
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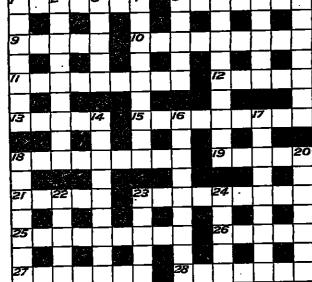
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**ACROSS** 

1 Record a way to dispose of

9 Form of rustic 14 holding a 8 They must accept blame for precious weight (5).

10 Absquatulate—a slip of the 14 Convey ecstasy (9).
tongue, bad (9).
16 Composer put on 10 Absquatulate—2 slip of the to composer put on French grey green coat (9).

11 Design confines me, after completion of murder, to hiding the body (9).

12 June sounds huskier (5).

13 under twenty-one (5).

15 Hard luck—confound it— 20 Eminent conductor is crazy very sad (9).

18 Display a stern hair style (9).

19 "The glory and the wordsworth missed (5).

21 Steals jugs (5).

22 Fix position of nothing, nothing, in French gallery (9).

(9). 25 Job having one—against ill Solution of Puzzle No 15,121

DOWN .

1 With half the month gone, I have to bluff (7).
2 Bad girl's put up a diamond perhaps for the trick (9). 3 Convert needs no introduc-tion to Pater (5). 4 Wild speed artist to perform, Bravo ! (9).

5 3 3 on the watch (5). 6 Like birds or oars skimming the water (9). 5 Insuk a forward line in 7 Otherwise the German Com-speech (7).

the treatment (7).

winds? (9).

6 Younger son's a bounder—
and in France, too! (5).

7 With spring, last ice melts

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